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Property owners grapple with taxes

BY BETSY GAGNET

Tax bills were in the mail last week and many property owners were not so pleasantly surprised by what they received.

Property reappraisals, county and city school bond issues, the juvenile detention center and county road bond issue all played a part in raising the taxes of most area property owners.

The reappraisals were mandated by the Mississippi Tax Commission, according to Hancock County Assessor and Tax Collector Edward D. Murtagh.

"(The state tax commission) found out we were low because basically we had not reappraised in 15 years," said Murtagh. "The (assessments) now on record better reflect the market values."

Murtagh has been busy hearing hordes of complaints this week from shocked and angry residents, and explained that if property owners have appraisals which refute the values of the tax records, he will be happy to review them.

Despite the complaints, Murtagh said most people have been reasonable.

"There is hardly anyone whose appraisal didn't go up..."

Tax Assessor Edward Murtagh

"There is an ever widening gap between the appraisal and the exemption..."

Tax Appraiser Lee Bennett

"They come in and we explain it to them and they may not agree, but most understand the situation," Murtagh said.

The reappraisals involved approximately 47,000 pieces of

property in the county and were computed according to a formula provided by the state tax commission, according to Murtagh. The county did the appraisals and the numbers were double checked by the

This process revealed an inequity which had been created in the valuation of homes, with newer ones being appraised at lower values than older ones, said Murtagh.

"There is hardly anyone (whose appraisal) didn't go up," he said.

The reappraisals took approximately one year and were done "in-house," which Murtagh said saved the county

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Casino World receives Corps permitting

BY ED LEPOMA

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has given the Casino World project south of Diamondhead the flag to proceed full steam ahead.

Deborah Vitale, chairman of Europa Cruises Corp., which is proposing the \$200 million casino-resort complex on a 404-acre tract off the Diamondhead exit of Interstate 10, hailed the announcement as "great news for the county and its citizens."

Vitale said, "The (gambling) industry has been watching with great interest." She said

approval by the Corps to proceed "was critical to our effort to attract a venturing partner."

"Now, we have something concrete," said Vitale. "Now, we have a bargaining chip."

The Corps had notified Europa at the end of October that it intended to issue a permit to proceed unless major objections were raised by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency or the U.S. Department of the Interior. Those agencies had been notified of the Corps intent to issue the permit on Oct. 27, and were given 30 days

to raise objections or to request additional information on the proposed development.

The permit allows Europa to go forward and construct the mooring facility for the gambling ships, which would sit in the north Bay of St. Louis. Europa has already received site approval from the Mississippi Gaming Commission, the Mississippi Commission on Marine Resources and water quality certification from the Mississippi Commission on Environmental Quality.

The proposed development

"Now we have something concrete. Now, we have a bargaining chip. This will bring employment opportunities for the citizens..."

Europa Chairman Deborah Vitale

would include two gambling barges containing 120,000 feet of gaming space, a 450-room luxury hotel and spa with related retail shops and a five-story parking garage, a sports and entertainment complex, a recreational vehicle park and a nine-hole golf course.

The casino complex is ex-

pected to employ 750 during construction and as many as 2,000 fulltime jobs once it becomes operational.

During the application process, Vitale said she developed "a wonderful working relationship with citizens and the

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Marina options debated

BY ED LEPOMA

Hancock County supervisors are mulling several options before proceeding with construction of the long-delayed marina at Bayou Caddy.

They got some help Thursday night from Waveland's Board of Aldermen, who voted to allow the county to tie the marina into its sewerage lines

"My God...All we have left is the pilings and walkways..."
Supervisor Lisa Coward

"Maybe we should reject the bid and put it out for bid again..."
Supervisor Philip Moran

running from Bayou Caddy at no charge. Earlier Thursday, supervisors held a recess meeting and heard from engineering consultant Bill Johnson to consider other options to the current funding shortage.

Board Attorney Gerald Gex convinced supervisors to send a request to the state Department of Marine Resources to earmark \$300,000 in Tideland monies for the project. The actual funds wouldn't be available until fiscal 1998-99, but Gex said, if DMR assures supervisors the money is coming, the Board could make an interfund local for that amount from county surplus fund, and proceed with all the amenities proposed in phase-one construction.

A new marina has been on

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Christmas in the Pass

A lighted boat parade kicked off activities Friday night for Christmas in the Pass. The beautifully decorated boats circled in the Mississippi Sound, near the Harbor. Following the parade, downtown shops in Pass Christian opened their stores as the celebration continued. Food was served and Christmas carols performed. (Echo staff photo by Betsy Gagnet)

Pearl Harbor survivors recall tragedy

Editor's note: The 56th anniversary of Japan's surprise attack on Pearl Harbor took place at daybreak this morning in Hawaiian time. In the Dec. 7, 1978, edition of The Sea Coast Echo, I had the honor of

doing the first interview grant- ing to William (Bill) Sanders of Pearl Harbor, who was on the USS Arizona, the only U.S. battleship to be sunk at Pearl Harbor.

Dec. 7, 1997, edition of The Sea Coast Echo, I had the honor of interviewing the last survivor of the USS Arizona, who was on the ship when it was sunk.

Quartermaster on the USS Arizona, who was on the ship when it was sunk.

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OBITUARY

BETTY JEAN BOURGEOIS
MARVEL J. DALEY
CRYSTAL M. FOUNTAIN
GERTRUDE FRENCH
R.M. LADNIER
DAISY KNIGHT
MCKEEHAN
DOUGLAS W. MORAN
THELMA M. ONETO
KEENAN J. PORCHE JR.
FREDERICK WEEMS

BETTY JEAN BOURGEOIS
 Betty Jean Bourgeois, 55, of Waveland, died Wednesday, December 3, 1997, in Waveland.

Ms. Bourgeois was born Aug. 11, 1942 in Florence, S.C.

She was preceded in death by her parents Gary D. and Estelle Poston Stone; brothers Wilford Stone and Leroy Stone; half-brother Joseph Stone; sisters Christine Magee and Lena Lynch.

She is survived by two sons, Richard Bourgeois, Jr. of Bay St. Louis and Wallace Bourgeois of Orange, Tx.; two brothers, Algine Stone of Hemmingway, S.C. and Henry Stone of Pamplico, S.C.; sisters, Leedell Bazen of Pamplico, S.C. and Margie Lemacks of Walterboro, S.C.; half-sisters, Ola Poston and Josie Poston both of Pamplico, S.C. and five grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held on Monday, Dec. 8 at 11 a.m. at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis where friends may call after 10 a.m. Burial will be private.

The family prefers memorials to the American Cancer Society.

MARVEL J. DALEY
 Marvel John Daley, 58, of Gulfport, died Wednesday, Dec. 3, 1997, in Gulfport.

Mr. Daley was a native of Pass Christian and was a retired produce manager with National Food Stores. He served in the U.S. Marines and was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Orange Grove.

He was preceded in death by his father, Frank J. Daley; and a brother, Frank F. Daley.

Survivors include his wife, Rowena M. Daley of Gulfport; three daughters, Bridget Petersen and Rechele Brees, both of Gulfport, and Rhonda Cheshire of Irving, Texas; a son, Frank J. Daley of Gulfport; his mother, Hazel Ladner Daley of Pass Christian; a brother, Ronald Daley of Detroit; a sister, Joan Rhodes of Jackson and a grandson.

Visitation was Friday evening at Riemann Funeral Home in Pass Christian. Services were conducted Saturday at St. Paul Catholic Church in Pass Christian with burial in St. Paul Cemetery.

CRYSTAL M. FOUNTAIN
 Crystal M. Fountain, 17, of Pass Christian, died Friday, December 5, 1997, in Bay St. Louis.

Arrangements are incomplete at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis.

GERTRUDE FRENCH
 Gertrude "Zudie" French, 92, died Wednesday, Dec. 3, 1997, in Pass Christian.

Mrs. French was born March 2, 1905 in Bay St. Louis and was a member of Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church in Bay St. Louis.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Jack French; and her parents, Maurice and Victoria Fayard Johnson.

Survivors include three

daughters, Helen Delpit of Waveland, Barbara Rosick of Pennsylvania, and Denise Banks of Butte, Mont.; 16 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted Saturday at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis. Burial was in St. Mary Cemetery in Bay St. Louis.

R.M. LADNIER
 R.M. Ladnier, 88, died Thursday, December 4, 1997, in Diamondhead.

Arrangements are incomplete at Bradford-O'Keefe Funeral Home in Gulfport.

DAISY KNIGHT MCKEEHAN

Daisy Knight McKeehan, 69, of Baton Rouge, died Thursday, December 4, 1997, in Baton Rouge.

Mrs. McKeehan was a native of Gulfport and was a Catholic. She was preceded in death by her husband, Neville McKeehan; three brothers, Stephen Knight, Reginald Knight and Leroy Knight; and a sister, Velma Price.

Survivors include a son, Ted McKeehan of Baton Rouge; two sisters, Helen Lizana of Gulfport and Jeni Giveans of Bay St. Louis; and two grandchildren.

A service was Saturday, December 6, 1997 at Reimann Funeral Home Chapel in Gulfport.

Burial was in Evergreen Cemetery in Gulfport.

DOUGLAS W. MORAN
 Douglas Wayne Moran, 53, of Bay St. Louis, died Wednesday, Dec. 3, 1997, in Bay St. Louis.

Mr. Moran was a resident of Ansley and was a design draftsman with NASA. He was a member of St. Ann Catholic Church in Clermont Harbor.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Clarence and Oline Moran; and a brother, Charles Irvin Moran.

Survivors include his wife, Margaret Pulizzano Moran of Lakeshore; two sons, Terry Joseph Moran of Agra, Kan., and Douglas Wayne Moran of Lakeshore; three brothers, Clarence Leonard Moran of Waveland, Thomas Joseph Moran of Lakeshore, and Old Eugene Moran of Bay St. Louis; two sisters, Cheryl Moran Ward and Peggy Moran Saucier, both of Lakeshore; and two grandchildren.

Visitation was Friday evening at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis. Mass was celebrated Saturday at St. John Catholic Church in Lakeshore. Burial was in Lakeshore Cemetery.

THELMA M. ONETO
 Thelma M. Oneto, 80, of Bay St. Louis, died Friday, December 5, 1997, in Bay St. Louis.

Arrangements are incomplete at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis.

KEENAN J. PORCHE JR.
 Keenan Jude Porche Jr., 13, of Pass Christian, died Monday, Dec. 1, 1997, in New Orleans.

Keenan was a native of New Orleans and had been a resi-

dent of Pass Christian for five years. He attended the Church of Christ in North Gulfport and Pass Christian Middle School where he was a member of the 7th grade basketball team. He was a member of the Picayune Middle School football and basketball teams and the Orange Grove Football League.

Survivors include his father, Keenan Jude Porche Sr.; his mother, Dana Porche; a sister, Anetra Porche, all of Pass Christian; his grandmother, Alice Sanders of New Orleans and Ethel Porche of Picayune; and his grandfathers, Errol Sanders of New Orleans and Robert Kirton of Picayune.

Services were conducted Friday at George and Lillian Lockett Memorial Chapel in Gulfport. Burial was in Gulf Pine Memorial Gardens.

Lockett-Williams Mortuary in Gulfport was in charge of arrangements.

FREDERICK WEEMS
 Frederick "Freddie" Weems,

Buddhist convention

The Sixth Annual Convention of the Granthi Buddhist Association is scheduled for Dec. 13 at the Hancock County Library on Highway 90 in Bay St. Louis. The program is scheduled from 1-5:30 p.m.

Sessions include presentations on meditation, Granthi Buddhism, Avatar, and sacred spaces. Author Victoria Hobbs

Holiday Home Tour

On Sunday, Dec. 14, the Diamondhead Garden Club will host a holiday home tour from 4-6 p.m. Six homes will be on tour.

Tickets (\$5 per person) may be purchased the day of the tour at the Community Center.

For information or advance ticket purchase, call 255-0200 or 255-5938.

Clarify

County attorney Gerald Gex said attorney fees in connection with Hancock County's proposed marina only accounted for "about \$1,952" expended. A story in the Echo last week said a total \$77,100 was spent on legal and engineering fees.

In addition, Gex said the cost of acquiring land was inflated to \$313,000 due to the county having to purchase land for mitigation purposes, since the marina is taking up some wetlands.

The printout of revenue and expenditures furnished the Echo by Compton Engineering shows a total \$2,100 paid in legal fees in 1996 and 1997 and \$75,000 in engineering fees paid out in the same period.

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Card of Thanks

Charles B. Murphy Elementary School in Pearlinton and Parents for Progress wish to thank all the many supporters for a very successful Fall Festival which was held Saturday, Nov. 8.

90, of Biloxi, died Wednesday, Dec. 3, 1997, in Biloxi.

Mr. Weems was a lifelong resident of the community and a member of St. Michael Catholic Church. He retired from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in 1972 and was employed with Barcevs Seafood Restaurant as an oyster opener for nine years. He was employed with McElroy's Harbor House opening oysters for five years.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Fred Weems and Ellen Skinner Weems.

Survivors include his wife, Elizabeth "Bessie" Weems; a daughter, Phyllis Bourgeois, both of Biloxi; a son, Fred William Weems of Bay St. Louis; eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted Saturday at St. Michael Catholic Church. Burial was in Biloxi City Cemetery.

Bradford-O'Keefe Funeral Home in Biloxi was in charge of arrangements.

Olsen will also discuss her book, Carnival Stories.

For more information, call Susie or Paul Pursley at 466-0726 or Nancy Dunn at 466-9123.

Correction

The Thanksgiving edition of The Sea Coast Echo contained incorrect information regarding one of the Red Ribbon Christmas activities.

All Red Ribbon Christmas publicity incorrectly identified the guest artists for the Coast Youth Ballet Ensemble's December 6 and 7 productions of The Nutcracker as being associated with the Joffrey Ballet Center of New York City.


This year's guest artists are both principal dancers with the Morgan Scott Ballet Center and are in no way associated with the Joffrey Ballet.

Neither the Coast Youth Ballet Ensemble nor the Morgan Scott Ballet Company suggested or authorized the use of the Joffrey name in any publicity connected with the 1997 production of The Nutcracker.

This information was supplied to the Echo by the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce.

The Chamber apologizes to all parties concerned for any problems this misinformation may have caused, according to Cindy J. Vernon, executive director.

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Supervisors to discuss P&H suit

BY ED LEPOMA

Hancock County supervisors have tentatively scheduled a meeting at the county courthouse for 6 p.m. Dec. 8 in renewed efforts to resolve an impasse over land coveted by the School Board and the Port and Harbor Commission.

Supervisors hoped to reopen dialogue at a recess meeting Thursday, but rescheduled after Hancock County Schools Supt. Terry Randolph called in to say he had a doctor's appoint-

ment and couldn't attend the session.

But, P&H Director Hal Walters showed up and again urged supervisors not to give up claims on property that is needed for expansion of Stennis Airport. The School Board wants the same parcel of land for a new middle school, and has filed eminent domain proceedings.

Walters brought with him Col. Blair Jernigan, who commands a military cargo unit of

the Air National Guard in Jackson.

Jernigan told supervisors that he was looking over Stennis as a possible site for military flight training, but admitted discussions were in the "very preliminary stages."

He said safety of the surrounding area and noise abatement problems would be weighed before any decisions were made.

Walters also told supervisors that the P&H staff planned to make a pitch within the next

two weeks to a major air cargo operation that is also considering Stennis.

At Monday's regular Board of Supervisors meeting, Randolph asked supervisors to redraw an appeal to the state Supreme Court that would allow the P&H to intervene in the present eminent domain proceedings. He said the current court squabble might delay construction and opening of the badly needed new middle school past August of 1999.

Construction to begin on Bay pier

BY MARY G. SEILEY

Construction work is imminent on replacement of the Ulman Street pier.

Bay St. Louis City Council has approved a bid of \$512,774 for the first phase of the project, by Clark Construction Co.

Mayor Eddie Favre said Wednesday test pilings will be set in place this month, with actual construction beginning in January.

City officials plan to replace the wooden pier with a concrete structure in two phases. The project is funded with money the

city has gotten through the state from the Tidelands lease fund.

Favre said the Alabama-based Clark firm was almost \$100,000 less expensive than the next closest bid for the project.

In other business Wednesday, council split in a 3-2 vote to approve a special exception allowing four apartments in a structure at 201 N. Main Street.

Council had received a petition opposing that density from residents of the area.

But Jere Martin, who plans to renovate the structure, urged approval of the project. She said

the building already houses three apartments, and a fourth apartment would make the renovation economically feasible.

Martin pointed to a number of restoration projects she has completed in the city, and said there's a terrific demand for more housing in the city.

Lance Reiner presented the petition opposing the project, saying residents of N. Main, St. John and Esterbrook streets "do not wish to live next to a fourplex."

Reiner said the neighborhood was not in opposition to restoring

the structure to a three-apartment facility.

Council members quizzed Martin about plans to provide off street parking, and got her assurances there is ample room behind the building for parking.

One woman in the audience who supported the four-apartment proposal, cited a "jumble" of uses along N. Main, and said opposing one more apartment seemed "petty." Opponents of the restoration, she said, are "small minded."

Ward 3 council member Connie Lamley, who represents the area at issue, said as far as she knew, the building had never accommodated more than three apartments. She opposed a fourth dwelling.

Lamley and council member Carleen Moran voted against the application, while council members James Rutherford, James Thrifflay and Tad Black voted in favor of it.

Martin said she plans to spend \$60,000 on interior improvements.

In another zoning matter, council approved an application from Terry Ladner for setback variances at 429 Ballentine Street, allowing for construction of a storage shed.

Council also approved a special subdivision proposal from Collette Ladner to relocate a property line between two adjoining lots she owns on Keller Street.

The Planning and Zoning Commission had recommended approval of all three requests.

HMC opening clinic in Kiln

BY ED LEPOMA

Hancock Medical Center's outpatient services are coming farther north.

The Board of Supervisors gave approval Monday for HMC to buy the land, equipment and accounts receivable of a privately-owned medical clinic currently operating in Kiln on Hwy. 603 just north of the new U.S. Post Office. The clinic, known as the Harbor Medical Center, opened in the area in November, 1994. It operates out of a leased double-wide trailer that is on site.

The agreed upon price, after appraisal, was approximately \$69,000, according to records

furnished to supervisors.

Leftwich said the hospital's Board of Directors unanimously recommended purchasing the clinic to make outpatient service more readily available to residents in the northernmost part of Hancock County.

He said most employees of the clinic would remain on staff, including Judy Caplinger, a certified family nurse practitioner, and doctors associated with HMC would be available on an on-call basis.

The clinic will be staffed five days a week, and may expand operations to Saturdays, if warranted.

In other business at their reg-

ular monthly meeting Monday, supervisors also accepted several public bids.

The Board concurred in a Port and Harbor recommendation to let a contract for \$372,941 to Beacon Construction Company of Biloxi to construct 12 additional T-hangers at Stennis Airport.

Funds for the project were made available through a grant from the state Department of Economic and Community Development.

Supervisors also awarded a contract to Charlie Henderson Ford, who submitted an apparent low bid of \$16,728 to furnish a three-quarter-ton pickup truck for the Road Department.

Reece Supply Co., Harahan, La., was awarded a contract for \$6,899 to furnish the Road Department with sign-making equipment. The firm was the lone bidder after bids were twice publicly advertised.

Teen killed

Hancock County Sheriff's Department is investigating a collision that resulted in the death of a Pass Christian teenager early Friday morning.

Chief Deputy Nathan Hoda identified the victim as Crystal Fountain, 17, a student at Hancock County High School. He said Sheryl Bell, 49, of Old Joe Moran Road was injured, but the extent of her injuries was not immediately known.

According to Hoda, Fountain was driving her Toyota west over Sandry Creek Bridge on the Kiln-DeLisle Road about 7:30 a.m. and Bell was driving her vehicle east when they collided.

Traffic was stalled for awhile, Hoda said, while medics extracted the victim from her car. Deputy Albert Biehl is investigating.



North Bay parent workshop

North Bay Elementary recently held the first of a series of four parent workshops. Guest speaker was Dr. Darlene Sellers, professor in the Department of School Counseling at the University of Southern Mississippi. Dr. Sellers presented, "More Talk, Less Squawk," consisting of interactive projects with attending parents and students. The North Bay Parent Center-sponsored program was organized by Pam Malone, North Bay guidance counselor. The PTO assisted with refreshments and door prizes. Sellers will present three more workshops for parents, the next one being in January.

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"CUEVAS' QUOTES"

By Ellis C. Cuevas

Holiday season activities continue today with the Waveland Festival of Lights with a Waveland Civic Association Christmas parade in Waveland.

The parade will start at 4 p.m. and finish up before 6 p.m. Festival of Lights activities begin.

The Festival of Lights, from 6-8 p.m. on Coleman Avenue, features music, business open houses, trolley rides and a big bonfire on the beach.

Coleman Avenue will close to vehicular traffic at 5 p.m.

Christmas Card and Christmas Door Lanes will be visited by the trolley in Waveland. Santa will be taking the wishes of the kiddies, too.

Also this afternoon, the Hancock County Library will host a Holiday Tree Gala from 1-4 p.m. at the Bay St. Louis location.

I visited the library at lunch today (Friday) and got a preview of many of the lovely decorated trees which will be on exhibit on Sunday.

In the Kiln at 6 p.m. the North Hancock Business and Professional Association's Christmas Tree Lighting will be held at the Crossroads.

Santa will be on hand with gifts for the kiddies and to take their special orders for Christmas.

This afternoon, too, the Coast Youth Ballet Ensemble will present *The Nutcracker* at the Bay High Auditorium at 2 p.m.

On Wednesday at 11:30 a.m., the Clement R. Bon Temps American Legion Post, Bay St. Louis will host the annual Senior Citizens/Retired Senior Volunteer Program's Christmas banquet.

It will be a festive time our senior citizens, and senior volunteers are recognized.

On Friday, Hancock Medical Center will host an Open House from 1-4 p.m. and will feature holiday refreshments and Santa.

Friday evening will be the annual Hancock County Chamber of Commerce installation of officers and Christmas banquet.

These are just a few of the many happenings going on in our area.

I hope you will participate in as many of the functions as possible.

Remember, Hancock County is a great place to live. I hope to see you about the area.

Shop at home, and make everyone happy.

Lott, Cochran applaud Ingalls for 'team competition' plan

Ingalls Shipbuilding in Pascagoula has announced plans to be part of a three-company team effort to compete for the contract to build the U.S. Navy's next generation of surface combatant ships, the DD 21/SC 21 Program, the state's two U.S. senators said.

U.S. Senators Trent Lott and Thad Cochran announced that Ingalls will join Bath Iron Works of Maine and Lockheed Martin's Government Electronics Systems of New Jersey to compete for the contract.

Each member of the team will take the lead in their particular area of expertise, with Ingalls expected to serve as the prime contractor of the detail designed and ship construction phases.

The DD 21/SC 21 Program has a potential value of over \$20

billion, and I want to see Mississippi participate in this contract," Lott said. "By joining Bath and Lockheed Martin, Ingalls is providing the Navy with the most efficient and cost effective team to build the backbone of our Navy's fleet. This is an innovative, revolutionary teaming effort that is a first for the industry, and will keep Ingalls at the forefront of Navy shipbuilding well into the 21st century."

"I think this strengthens our competitive position for future shipbuilding contracts, and it's good for our state," said Cochran.

Contracts for trade studies and initial concepts are expected to be awarded to as many as three competing teams in 1998.



Hancock arrives

John Hancock (Charles Gray) arrives with quill in hand Wednesday night at the Hancock County Tourism Development Bureau's unveiling of its "LOGO" at the Holiday Inn in Waveland. The "LOGO" represents the entire county, in that the primary component is very likely the most famous signature in the United States, the person for whom the county was named. (Echo staff photo by Ellis C. Cuevas)



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Bataan Death March survivor remembers Pearl Harbor

To the Editor:

This Sunday, Dec. 7, commemorates the 56th anniversary of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor. (Sunday, Dec. 7, 1941).

Let us steadfastly acknowledge this memorable, treacherous episode in our history.

The unacceptable, sad fact is that 80 percent of our succeeding generations (which include my own children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren)

are completely oblivious of the "tomb" of the battleship Arizona that rests at the bottom of Pearl Harbor cradling the spirits of over 2,000 Sailors and Marines of the United States Navy.

Gentle fingers of pulsating, timeless tides ebb and flow across the decks of the Arizona as if they were sentinels, ever watchful, even mournful—now and forever.

The Fifty-Sixth Anniversary Of Pearl Harbor — Dec. 7, 1941

Lest We Forget

*'Twas the 7th of December in 1941
When they hit Hawaii, day had just begun.
'Twas a Sunday morning and all was calm
When out of nowhere there came the bombs.
It didn't last long, but the damage was done —
America was at war with the Rising Sun.
Taps will sound across this nation for all,
The sacrifices of so many, if we dare recall —
Onward Christian Soldiers will march once again,
Rallied to Old Glory by its majesty, amen.
So rest all you, my comrades, asleep in those
Distant lands, for God is your only beacon:
Before Him we all must stand — so sleep my sons,
Your duty is done, for freedom's light has come.
Sleep in the silent depths of the sea, or in your
Bed of hallowed sod, until you hear at dawn —
The low clear reveille of God.*

Submitted by J. C. Baxter
Editor's note: Baxter, of Bay St. Louis, is a survivor of the Bataan Death March and spent three and a half years as a Japanese prisoner of war.



And I want

A youngster checks his list to make sure he gives Santa his correct wish list at the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce Red Ribbon Christmas parade celebration at the Walking Track Wednesday night. Santa had a very long line of eager youngsters waiting to sit on his knee and give him their wishes. (Echo staff photo by Ellis C. Cuevas)

Hancock Red Ribbon parade big success

Special to the Echo

Following a very exciting 1997 Hancock County Red Ribbon Christmas parade featuring grand marshal Ronnie Bueche, Mrs. Mississippi 1997, a large crowd of spectators enjoyed the sounds of the holiday season performed by local choruses.

The first performance was presented by Our Lady Academy's chorus under the direction of Joy Merhtens.

Immediately following this, three choruses from Bay High School performed together under the direction of Betty Holliman.

During the parade and special festivities, refreshments were available for purchase with all proceeds going to Hope Haven.

According to parade coordinator Cindy Vernon of the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce, sponsors of the annual event, the spectator attendance was great.

Vernon estimates that approximately 250 people were at the Walking Track to enjoy the concluding activities after the parade, more than four times the estimate from 1996.

Vernon said that the parade is gaining in all aspects with more participation and many more spectators.

Vernon also said much of the success of the parade is due to the support that she gets from the Hancock County Sheriff's Department, the Bay St. Louis Police and Fire Departments and the Waveland Police and Fire Departments.

Without their assistance with traffic control along the parade route, the parade would not be possible.

Also, the sound system for the activities at the Walking Track was provided by the City of Bay St. Louis, and Santa's chair was provided by the City of Waveland. The event is truly a community affair.



Autographs

Mrs. Mississippi, Ronnie Bueche of Waveland, is surrounded by youngsters getting autographs on her photo at the chamber's Red Ribbon Christmas parade celebration at the Walking Track Wednesday night. Bueche is a recovery room nurse at Hancock Medical Center and resides in Waveland. (Echo staff photo by Ellis C. Cuevas)

Where will tax increase windfall money go?

To the Editor:

It was with much shock that I received my Jan. 1, 1998 ad valorem tax bill from the Hancock County Tax Collector.

One realizes that government needs to be funded and that public services are an important part of life, but a whopping 50 percent increase on my home and a 400 percent on an adjoining lot, over the previous year, without any explanation, seems to be unrealistic.

Even with the advent and growth of the gaming industry in the area and the large increase in property taxes one does not see any evidence of improved government services.

Why did our board of supervisors, knowing of the coming windfall of moneys, not reduce the millage to prevent such a large increase?

Where do our elected officials plan to spend these extra dollars?

What will next year's tax bill be? Personally, I am beginning to wonder if my decision to retire in Mississippi was a wise one. I am seriously considering my options.

Very truly yours,
Bob L. Ragdale
Diamondhead



Gulfview 8th grade graduation

Two members of this graduating class came forward to identify the graduates and special guests in the photo published in our Nov. 30 issue. They were class members, Bertha (Ladner) Necaise and George Day. They reported it as the eighth grade class of 1950 at Lakeshore's Gulfview School. The photo was in a collection owned by the late Mrs. Jeanne D. Williams, of Bay St. Louis, who was a long-time teacher at Gulfview, who taught the graduates in the seventh and eighth grades. Those identified in the photo were top row from left, Odessa Garcia, Bertha Ladner, Gayle Courrage, Wilma Jean Moran, Lois Stoufflet, George Day, Ola Moran, George Necaise, Albert Asher, and R.J. Asher. Front row from left, Clarence Moran, Oras Ladner, Curtis Asher, Carol Courrage, Emelda Green, Irma Bosarge, Alice Shubert, Oren Seals, teacher; Father Tona and Father Lacey Green. (Photo courtesy of Mrs. Bea Williams, Mrs. Williams' daughter-in-law of Bay St. Louis). The Echo welcomes photos older than 25 years for publication. They will be returned to their owners.

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REFLECTIONS ON LIFE

By Father Jerome
LeDoux, SVD

I'm in control

Do you sometimes feel you are out of control, or at least not in control of yourself, of your environment, of your personal relationships and of your own destiny? Worse, do you perceive this awful feeling as your usual state of being?

If you are young, have no fear. With a bit of God's favor and good fortune, you will be around long enough to learn the lessons of control the old-fashioned way: by trial and error.

On the other hand, if you are older and feel just as controlled as every by everyone and everything, there is still time for you to turn it around. Frankly, for the most part it is just a state of mind, an adoption of the advice of Jesus.

After all these years of being an underling, of being ordered around, of being put in my place in no uncertain terms, of being told when and where to go, of being told what to do and how to

do it, I have discerned that I'm in control.

I'm in control, because I finally realize what Jesus was talking about when he told us the first shall be last and the last shall be first. According to Jesus, whoever is first, or in control, must serve the needs of all those under her/him.

So what's the big deal of being in power, in control, if the bottom line of being in power is the strict obligation to serve all those who are the subjects of one's power?

Thus, we must serve if we have people over us; yet, Jesus commands us to serve even more if we are placed in charge of others. Being in control, then, has everything to do with how well we serve both the people above us and those below us.

Evidently, being in control of oneself and one's environment has nothing to do with whether one is in a position of leadership or in a condition of follow the

leader. Whoever serves well is fulfilling her/his role as leader or follower.

I'm in control because I finally see and understand that, after putting in my two cents, after doing all that I am able to do within my talents and limitations, I am able to turn everything over to God. "Let go! Let God!" It's so simple.

As long as we cling neurotically to the strings which we fancy give us control of others and situations, we will be condemned to live out of control and to be controlled by the material world and the whims of those around us.

"Let go! Let God!" liberates us from the false conviction that we must be in control to find peace and fulfillment. But there's no need of our being at the reins to insure order and success. In fact, turning the reins loose is often the best.

Usually, the older one gets, the more one realizes that the

compulsion to be right is just another form of controlling. I'm in control since I discovered that I don't have to be right all the time, not even most of the time.

Since I do not know even an iota of most things. I am under no pressure to deliver beyond my knowledge, ability and means. No matter what anyone says, I'm definitely in control, because I'm convinced I have nothing to prove.

I know I'm in control because I'm more relaxed about the deflated value of my opinion. Bluntly, my opinion always brings up the rear to that of others, because their personal opinions are virtually always more important to them.

I'm in control because, with Jesus, I am secure, fearing not those who kill the body, but only him who created it.

Bay High Christmas concert

The Bay High School beginner, junior high and senior bands will hold their annual Christmas concert Tuesday, Dec. 9 at 7 p.m.

The Christmas celebration is free to the public and will be held in the Bay High School Robert V. Magee Auditorium.

The beginner and junior high bands will play several Christmas tunes, including "Christmas Trio" and "Frosty the Snowman."

The senior high band's selections include "The Christmas Song" and the show's closer, "Jingle Bell Rock."

The Bay High School bands are under the direction of Catchie Orider.

Library's story hour

"Christmas" will be the theme for the children's story hour at the Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Library Wednesday, Dec. 10 at 10:30 a.m.

"Twas the Night Before Christmas" will be read. Susan Daigre will present the program and will assist children in making their own Christmas trees. They will also receive color sheets.

Weekly story hours are held September through May. Programs last approximately one hour. The Kiln Library hosts a story hour every other Thursday.

Programs and activities are designed for pre-school-age children three to five years old who are not part of a nursery or pre-school group.

For story hour information, contact David Woodburn, Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Public Library, 467-5282 or Sandra Ladner, Kiln Library, 255-1724.

'Singing Santa' at Ashley Monday

The one and only renowned "Singing Santa" will be in Bay St. Louis at the Ashley Manor Motel, Highway 90, Bay St. Louis, Mon., Dec. 8, noon until 8 p.m., reports Sandra Roberson, Ashley Manor owner.

Santa will be here to greet all the children, Roberson said. "Singing Santa" is straight from every child's dreams... he sings, he plays, he dances, and they love him, Roberson added.

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Retirement reception

Farmers and friends are invited to the retirement reception being held for Franklin A. Gennin, county executive director of the Pearl River-Hancock County Farm Service Agency, on Thursday, Dec. 11 at the Mississippi Power Building on Julia Street, downtown Poplarville from 3-5 p.m.

Gennin is retiring after 30 years of service to the USDA, Farm Service Agency.



One million

Third Grader Micah Elkins sits atop one million tabs from soft drink cans collected by students at Bay Catholic Elementary. The project was started in August of 1994, and the tabs will be sold for recycling to Southern Metal Recycling in Waveland. The \$250 in profits will go to the school's building fund. (Echo staff photo by Ed Lepoma)

Internet seminar at library

Internet 103 will be the third in a series of seminars co-sponsored by the Hancock County Library and Datasync Inc. It has been set for Wednesday, Dec. 10 at 7 p.m. in the Seal Meeting Room of the Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Library.

The series of five seminars will be presented free to anyone

who wishes to attend, and participants may be inexperienced or experienced Internet users, to those contemplating getting on the Internet, or to those just curious about the Internet. Attendees may or may not have existing access to the Internet.

Sessions will run between two or three hours, depending

on the number of questions posed by the participants. Each session is accompanied by handout materials.

Datasync is an Internet Service Provider headquartered in Biloxi. They are the largest Internet Access Provider in the region, and Arthur Allard, The Internet Man from Datasync, will conduct the sessions.

Internet 103 will discuss how to plan a web site. It will also talk about simple and complex design tools, choosing the right design tools, some page design rules and much more.

The last two sessions, Internet 104 and 105, will be scheduled for some time after the first of the year. They will deal with putting a business on the Internet and filtering.

Seating is limited. Persons interested in attending the seminar, or those who attended the first one, are urged to contact the library to register.

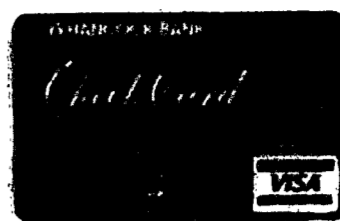
For information, call David Woodburn at the Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Library at 467-5282 or Arthur Allard at Datasync, Inc., at (601) 435-8888.



Library tree decorating

North Bay Elementary School students (L-R) Gretchen Karl, Madison Murphy and Taylor Morel decorate their tree at the Hancock County Library in Bay St. Louis. The library's tree gala is scheduled today from 1-4 p.m. and will feature choruses from Bay High School and the Main Street United Methodist Church. Over 40 local businesses, schools and organizations decorated tree. (Echo staff photo by Richard Meek)

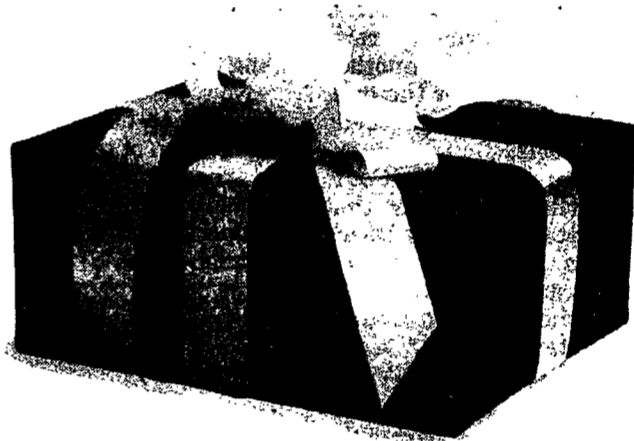
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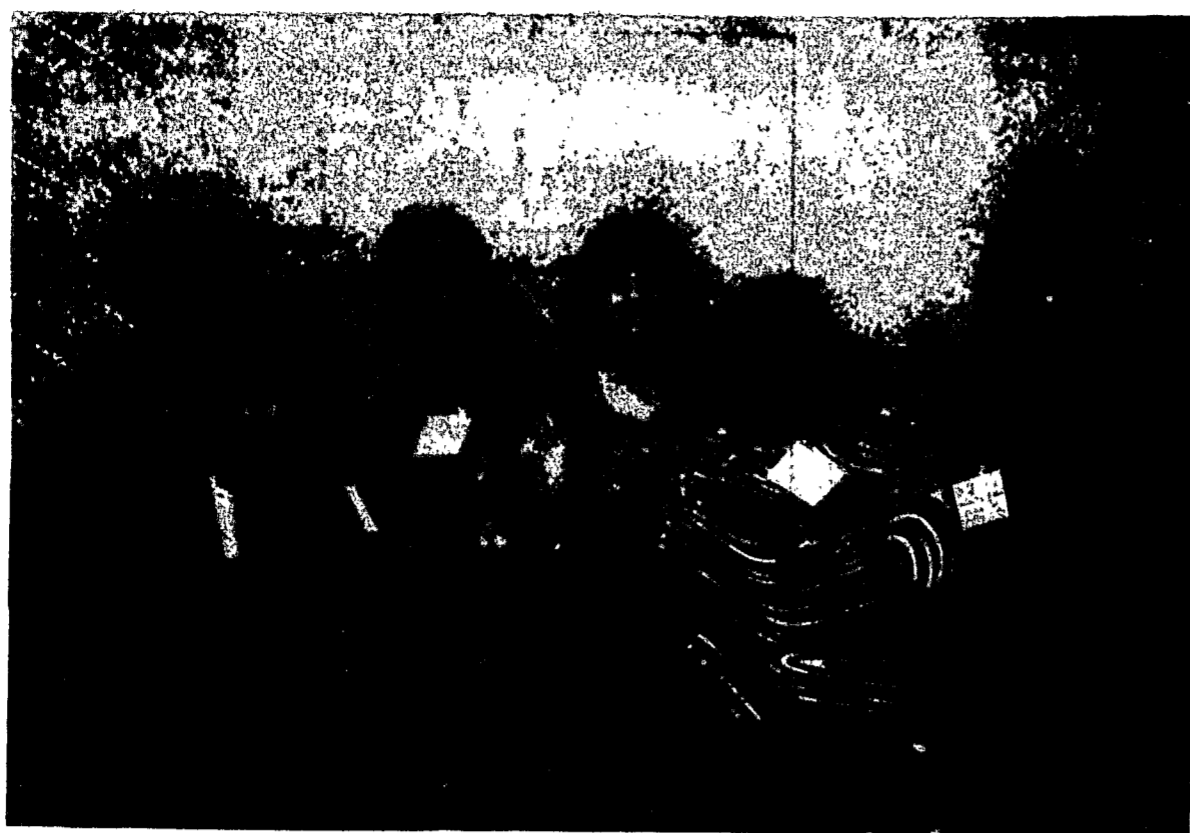
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Montz attends conference

School attendance officers and counselors who attended the annual conference in Jackson included, from left, Ellen Edwards of Natchez, Susan Tindle of Quitman, Yvonne Montz of Waveland, Margaret Wimberly of Natchez, Flora Longmire of Indianola and Barbara Booth of Durant. The legislatively mandated training program was conducted by the Mississippi Judicial College, a division of the University of Mississippi Law Center in association with the Ole Miss Department of Social Work and the Charter Behavioral Health System of Mississippi.

Catholic school seeks share of casino funds

ASSOCIATED PRESS

A Catholic school in Harrison County has sued for a share of casino revenues, raising the possibility of another long legal battle over the division of gambling proceeds among schools.

The state Supreme Court ruled earlier this year that school systems in Long Beach and Pass Christian should share in casino revenues now going to the Harrison County school system.

The cities of Gulfport and Biloxi levy a tax on casinos. The two cities share part of the tax proceeds with the Harrison County school system. Harrison County had operated under the assumption that since gambling was not legal in Long Beach or Pass Christian, they could keep all the money.

A Harrison County judge ruled in June 199—in a lawsuit brought by the Long Beach school system—that a

state law provided that gambling revenue must be distributed to schools countywide, including Pass Christian and Long Beach.

Now, just as school officials prepared to begin negotiating the division of the money within the county, St. John Catholic High School in Gulfport sued for a share of the money.

A hearing on the division of gambling proceeds is set for Dec. 12 in Harrison County Circuit Court. About \$5 million has accumulated in a special account set up while the Long Beach lawsuit proceeded through the courts. There also is an estimated \$150,000 a month coming to Harrison County schools from casino taxes.

Joe Sam Owens of Gulfport, the Catholic school's attorney, said the Supreme Court's opinion spurred St. John to seek a share.

"It was made abundantly

clear that casino revenue as provided for in the legislation was for the benefit of all children of Harrison County. St. John is a parochial school with Catholic and non-Catholic children. It doesn't mean just public schoolchildren; it means all children," Owens said.

Owens said one of his goals in the Dec. 12 hearing is to keep any of the \$5 million from being spent until the issue is resolved.

Jim Simpson Jr., a state representative and attorney for the Long Beach school system, said he doesn't believe non-public schools will get a share of the gambling revenues.

"I don't think the law was intended to include them, and I don't think constitutionally we're allowed to include them. I think eventually that's how it will come out," he said.

The Harrison County School District was getting about \$1.5 million a year at the time of the lawsuit.

Fleuriet request sent back to P&Z

BY BETSY GAGNET

The Waveland Board of Aldermen voted Wednesday night to send Alderman Jay Fleuriet's request for a special use variance to operate a business from his home back to the Planning and Zoning Commission.

The Commission had recommended to the Board that the variance request be denied following an investigation and two meetings on the matter. Wednesday it was in the hands of the Board to act on that recommendation.

However, Marilyn Scafidi, the Waveland resident who originally complained to the Commission about vehicular traffic from Fleuriet's home, asked the Board to reconsider the recommendation of the Commission.

"I went through the various channels and this is where I ended up," Scafidi said, explaining to the Board she did not want to see the matter turn into something political.

Scafidi went on to explain she would not oppose the variance if certain restrictions would be applied.

The Board also heard from several residents who supported Fleuriet, including some from Fleuriet's Street, Terrace Avenue, who had not spoken at the P & Z meetings. Those residents told the Board they had not experienced problems with Fleuriet's business.

The Board voted 3-0, (Fleuriet did not vote) to remand the matter to the Commission to have restrictions worked out.

"We've achieved what we set out to do. For the last two months his vehicles have not been zooming up and down the street," Scafidi said in an interview Friday. "By stopping now it shows that it never was political or personal like (Fleuriet) tried to make it out."

Fleuriet could not be reached for comment.

The Board also acted on several other zoning matters.

David DeBlanc was granted a variance from the minimum lot size requirement to create two equal lots on Dogwood

Drive.

Gertrude Duthu was granted a variance from the minimum lot frontage in order to subdivide a parcel of land on Duthu Road.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Goff and Mr. and Mrs. Jim W. Meredith were granted a variance from the minimum lot size requirement and side yard building setback in order to subdivide a non-conforming parcel of land located on Waveland Avenue.

Tim Allen was granted a side yard setback of five feet for construction of a home on Sarah's Lane.

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Moving of CSX railroad tracks to be discussed

BY ED LEPOMA

Hancock County supervisors have agreed to participate in a tri-county policy-setting committee that will explore the possibility of moving the CSX railroad tracks north of Interstate 10, and away from urban residential areas.

Supervisors were briefed Monday on the scope of the study proposed by creation of the Mississippi Coast Transportation Policy Council that is being funded by the Gulf Regional Planning Commission. GRPC Director Jeff Taylor said neither Hancock, Harrison or Jackson County will be required to pay for the initial study, since grant money is available.

Long Beach Mayor Robin Bass, who is expected to be named chairman of the Council, said relocation of the tracks would not only save lives, but

also spark economic development in the three-county area.

Presently, there are 178 railroad crossings, Bass said, and several lives are lost each year by motorists who either ignore warning devices or try to beat an oncoming train.

He said plans would be to "eliminate all grade crossings," and the new east-west rail corridor would have either an overpass or underpass at crossings. He said predictions are rail traffic through the Gulf Coast corridor will triple in the next few years.

Bass said the tri-county effort could eventually evolve into a tri-state effort because Alabama and Louisiana are plan-

ning to form their own transportation councils. "We're looking for a multi-modal transportation system for highway, rail and air transportation," said Bass.

District 2 Supervisor Rocky Pullman said he favored the study, but wanted the Council to "take into account that we've already lost one-third of our county to the buffer zone."

And, District 3 Supervisor Lisa Coward said, if future monies are required, she would hope the Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission would chip in most of it, since relocation of the rails is expected to hasten economic development.

Hope Haven benefit

BY ED LEPOMA

The Southern Coast Riders Motorcycle Association will sponsor a run Saturday, Dec. 20, to benefit the children of Hope Haven.

According to President Stanley Butler, flyers have been sent out to all motorcycle associations along the Coast to join in the run from Orange Grove to Bay St. Louis.

Butler said the registration fee is \$10 or a gift certificate from Kmart, Wal-Mart, McDonald's or Burger King. Cyclist will begin registering at 11 a.m., on the day of the run at Quincy's Steak House on Hwy. 49 in Orange Grove.

From there, the riders will leave at noon for Bay St. Louis. They plan to regroup in the service area at Hwy. 90 and Beach Boulevard at the foot of bridge over Bay St. Louis before proceeding downtown.

Butler said Bay St. Louis policemen have been asked to escort the riders through town to the Hope Haven shelter in Waveland.

"We're expecting about 100 riders," said Butler. "And, all proceeds will go to Hope Haven."

For more information, contact Butler at 831-2908.

Fontaine recertified

The American Board of Pediatrics (ABP) announces that David Fontaine, M.D. has met the requirements for renewal of certification in the specialty of general pediatrics.

Certification renewal in pediatrics is a program of periodic examination on information related to evaluating and managing problems affecting children and their families.

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Normal hours

Postmaster Jimmy Moore says the Diamondhead Post office will maintain regular hours while bids will be sent out for someone to operate it on a contract basis.

Moore dispatched an employee from the main office in Bay St. Louis to take over operations last Monday. He said the satellite office on Leisure Time Drive will be open from 9:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Mondays through Fridays and from 9:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. on Saturdays.

Moore said he expects his office will man the station for about two months while the U.S. Postal Service publicly advertises the bid for someone to take over its operations.

Brenda Smith, who operated the facility for almost four and a half years, gave it up to devote fulltime to a secretarial service that she also owns.

NASA benefits from imaging system developed through Small Business program

Through NASA's Small Business Innovative Research Program (SBIR), Duncan Technologies Inc. (DTI) of Auburn, Calif., has developed a system that will provide color images of invisible hydrogen fires.

NASA's John C. Stennis Space Center in South Mississippi is one of the world's leading consumers of liquid hydrogen. The center serves as NASA's lead center for rocket propulsion testing, and its main role in testing and flight-certifying the Space Shuttle Main Engines.

Engineers at Stennis' E-1 facility are purchasing six of the hydrogen imaging systems for use in testing hybrid rocket motors, turbomachinery and small rocket engines. Stennis is currently using the prototype system designed through the SBIR program at its E-2 facility to monitor hydrogen flame stacks during turbopump and other rocket engine component testing.

Because hydrogen is a clean-burning gas, its flame is invisible during daylight hours, making it difficult to detect, locate and extinguish these fires. This new system will allow technicians to detect a hydrogen fire and shut down a test before any hardware is significantly damaged. It will also help the facilities meet certain safety standards.

Because of the company's expertise in providing advanced imaging and electro-optical services for the past 10 years, it was aware of the limitations of using infrared technology. It is very expensive, resolution is poor, and because infrared sensors detect thermal phenomena rather than visible, the resulting image can be difficult to interpret.

The system uses three different sensors to visually detect the flame — two sensors in the near infrared and one in the visible portion of the electromagnetic spectrum. Of the two near-infrared sensors, one is centered at a spectral band that picks up strong water vapor emissions from the flame, while the other is at a band that detects minimal emissions to measure just the background image.

The flame is detected by sub-

tracting the background image from the flame image and filtering the result. This process isolates an image of the hydrogen flame, then superimposes it onto a color video image.

If there is not a hydrogen fire present, the user sees normal color video of the scene. If a flame is present, the user sees a red depiction of the flame overlaid on the color video. The system has the capability to detect a three-inch flame from up to 160 feet away.

Judith Duncan, sales and marketing director for DTI, said, "This approach has the

added bonus that when there is no fire present, the camera can be used as a standard color surveillance camera.

DTI is putting together a marketing plan to commercialize this system. Potential users that could benefit from the technology are hydrogen suppliers, refineries, petroleum companies, food and semiconductor processors, the fertilizer industry and even some cosmetic companies.

There are currently many active pilot and demonstration programs evaluating hydrogen vehicles. As these technologies

move closer to the public sector, hydrogen safety will be a growing concern. DTI's imaging technology will offer an additional margin of safety for refueling and maintenance stations.

SBIR is a highly competitive program that provides small U.S. businesses with federal funds reserved for conducting serious research and development (R&D). This program protects small businesses from the risk and expense related to R&D, and enables them to compete on the same level as larger businesses. The SBIR Program

at Stennis is managed through the Commercial Technology Office, a NASA program that works to find a broader utilization of NASA-developed technologies in the American industrial community.

"It is always rewarding to assist small businesses in one way or another," said Kirk Sharp, NASA's Commercial Technology officer at Stennis. "This project is particularly exciting because not only does NASA benefit from DTI's diligent work, but we also believe this product has numerous uses outside the space industry."

For more information about the NASA Small Business Innovation Research Program, call (228) 688-1962, or visit the web site at <http://sbir.gsfc.nasa.gov>.

For more information on working with NASA's Commercial Technology Program, call (228) 688-1929 or visit the web site at <http://technology.ssc.nasa.gov>.

Companies interested in the hydrogen flame imaging system and related products should contact Judith Duncan, DTI, at (916) 888-6565, or visit the web site at <http://www.duncantech.com>.

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If you live in Bay St. Louis and have not purchased your Mississippi license tag you may start your new year with up to a \$1,000 fine.

"Complaints have been coming in regularly about parents delivering their children to local schools driving personal automobiles with out-of-state tags, paying their local utility bills driving in personal automobiles with out-of-state tags and going to vote, driving a personal automobile with an out-of-state tag.

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SPORTS

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Basketball roundup

Bay High Lady Tigers unbeaten; rout St. Martin

BY RICHARD MEEK

As the easy wins continue to mount, Bay High's Lady Tigers toughest opponent may be in the mirror.

On Friday afternoon, the favored Lady Tigers struggled against cold-shooting St. Martin in the first half before pulling away for a 53-23 victory in the Pass Christian Tournament.

Bay High, 12-0, had also struggled the previous night in a 40-38 victory over St. John.

"Considering how we played (against St. John) I was satisfied," Bay High coach Debbie Triplett said. "We played with much more intensity, and more as a team. (On Thursday night) we thought we could just walk out there and win."

"We played much better tonight."

Bay High failed to put St. Martin away in the first half, although St. Martin made only 3 of 15 first half shots, including 0 for 3 in the second quarter. The Lady Tigers led 23-10 at the half, and that came courtesy of

a pair of Christina Bradley's layups in the final 45 seconds.

The Lady Tigers were nine of 23 at the half and had committed seven turnovers.

Bay High standout Alicia Gavagnie, who would finish with nine points, was only one of the six in the opening two quarters.

"(Gavagnie) had at least three three-pointers that bounced in and out of the basket," Triplett said. "She did everything else, played good defense and rebounded well."

Chanda Haley scored eight third quarter points as the Lady Tigers outscored St. Martin 18-5 to take a 41-23 lead. St. Martin made only two of 14 shots in the decisive quarter.

Bradley led the Lady Tigers with 21 points, 11 in the first half.

"(Bradley) is able to get a lot of layups," Triplett said. "(Haley) does a good job of getting her the ball."

Triplett admitted the Lady Tigers have been tested few times this year and that makes

it more difficult to maintain their intensity every game.

"I tell the players it's pride," she said. "If we want to continue to stay unbeaten, we have to play hard, and play for pride."

In other games:

GIRLS

Bay High 40, St. John 38 — Gavagnie's short jumper with five seconds remaining preserved the Lady Tigers' unbeaten streak. It was Gavagnie's only second basket of the night.

Haley led Bay High with 15 points and eight rebounds.

St. Martin 38, Pass Christian 31 — Leslie Smith scored 14 points for the Lady Pirates on Thursday.

Pass Christian led 20-16 but was held to 11 second half points.

St. John 43, Pass Christian 14 — Stacy Bradley and Colstrum Clark scored five points each for the Lady Pirates on Friday, 6-8.

Pass Christian scored six points in the second half.

Long Beach 82, Hancock 80 — The Lady Hawks lost a double-overtime thriller when Catherine Wood made a long shot in the Hancock Invitational Tournament on Thursday.

Keyona Acker's three-pointer with seven seconds had given Hancock an 80-79 lead.

Hancock 76, Our Lady Academy — The Lady Hawks, 7-4, rebounded from Thursday's heartbreak with an easy win over the Crescents.

Mindy Ladner scored 20 points and Maranda Cuevas 10 for Hancock.

Jillion Hunter led OLA with nine points.

Hancock put the game away early, outscoring the Crescents 19-4 in the first quarter. The Lady Hawks led 37-8 at the break.

BOYS

St. Stanislaus 69, Long Beach 62 — Paul Farve scored a season-high 26 points in the

Rocks' opening game of the Hancock Invitational Tournament on Thursday.

Junior Davis added 13 points and Brantley Ladner 11 for

Bay High 73, St. Martin 46 — Reion Galloway poured in 28 points as the Tigers won the second game of the Pass Christian Tournament on Friday.

Center Stevie Lizana added 17 points and Tank Williams 12 for Bay High, 5-3, 2-0.

Lizana also had 11 rebounds. Jason Robinson scored nine points, had seven steals and four assists for Bay High.

St. Martin 81, Pass Christian 74 — Sammy Morgan made a pair of three-pointers and led the Pirates with 20 points in the Pass Christian Tournament on Thursday.

Rudy Bell added 14 points and Lauren Jaynes 10.

St. John 52, Pass Christian 46 — Rudy Bell had 24 points and four steals in the Pirates' loss on Friday night.

Pass Christian, 6-5, fell behind 14-6 at the end of the first quarter but trailed 30-19 at the half.

Morning Glory bowling results

Dec. 1

High Game/Series Handicap: Carla Santiago 246-651, Elaine Willins 240-679, Hilda Bourg 235-609, Betty Marshall 230-625, Lois Kaigler 226, June Watkins 223-601, Elaine Spiers 218, Heidi Pollard 214, Mary Marroy 210, Mary Matto 209, Rochelle Buchanan 207, Clementine Sheppard 205-600, Doris Netherly 204, Carol Guilmino 203.

Diamondhead Women's Golf results

DWGA Trophy Day Dec. 4

Winner over the field was Sylvia Cordon.

First flight: first, Amy Swint; second, Pauline Hass; third, Helen Manley.

Second flight: first, Peggy Williams; second, Margaret Hill; third, Mary Clare Skaggs.

Third flight: first, Vi Kirk; second, Donna Ritchie; third, Mary Ann Manchester.

Fourth flight: first, Alberta Alley; second, Neuva Sears; third, Sharline Lowrey.



Sideline instructions

Hancock Lady Hawk coach Sandy Albright gives sideline instructions to her players. (Echo staff photo by Richard Meek)

Soccer roundup

Bay High sweeps Hancock

Bay High 7, Hancock 0

The Bay High School Tigers grounded the Hancock Hawks 7-0, Friday night at Joe D. McCullough Stadium in Bay St. Louis.

Brothers Brandon and Greg Dupuy, along with Mark Perniciaro scored two goals each for the Tigers. Jeff Rose also scored as Bay High improved its record

to 3-2 on the season. Steven Boudro recorded the shutout in goal.

Hancock will host St. Stanislaus Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. This is the first year for Hancock to field a soccer team.

Bay High will host Oak Grove Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. and will then visit cross-town rival St. Stanislaus Friday at 7:30 p.m.

Bay High girls 9



National champions

Michelle Perniciaro and University of Mobile Lady Rams soccer coach Uwe Tittle display trophies and plaques following their team's 2-1 overtime victory over Simon Fraser University of British Columbia last weekend to claim the NAIA Women's National Soccer Championship. The Lady Rams completed a perfect 24-0 season and advanced a five-overtime loss to Simon Fraser in last year's championship finals. Perniciaro, a former Bay High School soccer player, scored several goals in this, her first season as a member of the Lady Rams team.

Hancock girls 0

The Bay High School Lady Tigers beat the Hancock Lady Hawks 9-0 Friday in Bay St. Louis. Andie Fillingame and Amanda Kingston had two goals each. Mikey Carbon, Keely Marshal, Megan O'Gwin, Ashley Ponder and Kelly Yannok each scored one goal for Bay High. Kelly Coffelt earned the shutout in goal for the 4-1 Lady Tigers.

The Lady Hawks will host Our Lady Academy Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.

The Lady Tigers will also face the undefeated OLA Crescents, on Friday at 5:30 p.m. in Rockchaw Stadium.

SSC junior varsity 7, Bay High JV 0

The St. Stanislaus junior varsity blanked the Bay High School JV 7-0 Thursday night. Brandon Lewis, Roger Ridgeway and Jose Vazquez each scored two goals for the Rocks. David Heaps also scored.

Jonathan Gagnon had four assists, followed by Cesar Alvarez with two and Nick Benvenuti with one. Rimmer Covington earned the shutout in goal as the JV Rocks remained undefeated at 3-0 on the season.

The junior varsity Tigers will host Mercy Cross Monday at 5:30 p.m.

Bay High girls JV 2, OLA junior varsity 0

The Bay High School junior varsity girls shutout the visiting Our Lady Academy JV team 2-0 Thursday night. Katie DiBenedetto and Sky Thomas scored for the Lady Tigers. Katie Fillingame had assists on both goals as the team won its third straight game.

The Lady Tigers will host Oak Grove Tuesday at 6 p.m. in junior varsity action.

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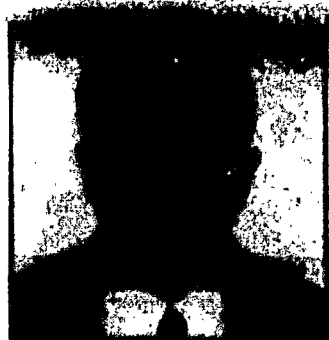
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Ditka Dialogue

• (On who will start at quarterback this week)
"Uh, it could be Raymond. It could be Buck. It could be John. But, we'll go with you-know-who."

• (On injuries)
"I'm just looking at this. It says questionable, questionable, questionable, on (Mark) Fields, (Eric) Guliford and (Nicky) Savoie. The concussion, you've got to be careful with that. We had a bunch of MRI's today."

• (On who had MRI's)
"I thought they all had MRI's. Fields had an MRI. Guliford had an MRI. I don't know if Nicky was there today. I don't think he had one. (Randal) Hill has the flu, I know that. Pio (Sagapolutele) said he is going to play."

• (On the severity of Guliford's concussion)
"I guess that depends on who you are. If you are Guliford you probably thought it was an earthquake one. I don't know how bad it was. Evidently he has had a little history of those. He was out cold, and he did not know anything. He knew everything after the game. He was fine after the game."

• (On Zellars' success in one-back set)
"He made it almost all out of one-back sets. I think he ran hard. That is one thing he did and I think we did some good blocking. I think our line played their best game, I really do. They were working hard, hitting hard."

• (On Hobert)
"I looked at the film, and I assess his play as very good. I thought I said that yesterday. I'm sorry. I really thought I said that. He made some great movements to get out of the pocket and throw the ball. He'd love to have a few throws back. Couple of the deep balls, he over-threw and then he underthrew. But, that will come. He had fun our there. It was like he was playing sand-lot ball."

• (On how limited Hobert was with the offense)
"None. We ran our whole game plan, everything we had. We don't have very much, but we ran it all."

• (On if the team has turned the corner)
"No, I think we're getting better. I think we're going in the right direction because of the attitude of the players. I think the players deserve the credit for the way they've handled it. They're hanging in there and they're practicing well."

• (On if this is the most at-ease he has been with the offense)
"Nope. I've been at ease with it before, but you can't be at ease when you keep making mistakes. We didn't fumble the ball yesterday. We had one interception that we wish we wouldn't have had, because it was in the red-zone. Maybe we could have put the game out of sight. But that's the difference. No sacks. That's a difference."

• (On why the other quarterbacks couldn't make the offense work)
"I go back to the first film of the Carolina game. I thought Danny (Wuerffel) played awfully well at times in that game. He under-threw two balls that cost us badly, and I think that's the problem."

• (On any reservation about Hobert's play declining)
"You're asking me to be negative. For shame."

• (On how many game balls he gave out)
"Thousands."

• (On where the fake sneak came from)
"Chalmette High School. That's Danny (Abramowicz). That's all Danny. We worked on it. Actually it even worked in practice and it's hard to make them work in practice like that. We teach a good play. I've seen it done."

• (On replacing quarterbacks)
"Unless you have that special guy, let's not fool ourselves, there's not that much difference in people. You've got a starter and you've got a back-up. If the starter's having a bad day, why not give the other guy a shot at it? You're being unfair to the rest of your football team if you don't."

• (On if he and Hobert are both kindred spirits)
"It's getting past my bedtime now with these kinds of questions. I think this guy really competes. He's more of a free spirit like he's not going to let it completely kill him. If it does bother him enough, he's going to do something about it the next time. I got the same feeling when I had (Jim) McMahon. He refused to be kept down. He found a way to ignore the coach."

• (On if Hobert is a vocal leader)
"I think you're right there. We don't have a lot of vocal guys, but I don't think he's real vocal. But I think he's vocal in the right way. He's assertive, right? I think that's what you're saying. He asserts himself at the right times, and I think that's good."

• (On last week's doubts)
"Don't go back to a week ago. I'm a flake. I've got a lot of split personality and stuff like that. Some night if you're at the right place at the right time, you'll probably see me in a dress."

DT Wayne Martin

"The win was nice winning an NFC West game coming in here today beating these guys on their own field. We played well, well enough to win that's the main thing. It is always good to hold them when you make a team kick instead of scoring touchdowns is always going to give you a chance."

K Doug Brien

"Aesthetically it wasn't the prettiest kick ever, but I am just thankful to have good protection, Kendall Gammon snapping and Mark Royals holding for me, because they make it pretty easy for me. When the footing is so slippery and there is a lot of mud you can slip, the ball can do some funny things when it is wet out, and I was just very fortunate that they did a great job getting the ball back and I didn't slip."

1997 TEAM RANKINGS

SAINTS						
Offense			Defense			
	Total	Rush	Pass	Total	Rush	Pass
NFC	15	13	15	4	4	5
NFL	30	27	30	6	9	9

RAMS						
Offense			Defense			
	Total	Rush	Pass	Total	Rush	Pass
NFC	9	12	7	9	5	11
NFL	21	24	15	14	13	16

Rankings are prior to Monday night game.

The Series

The Rams are 31-24-0 all-time against the Saints, including a 38-24 in 8/31/97 at the Trans World Dome. New Orleans has still

captured 10 of the last 15 decisions, 12 of the last 18 and 14 of the last 21.

Since 1986, the Saints are 15-8 versus the Rams. The Saints are 7-3 in the last 10 road contests against the Rams, including a streak of 7 consecutive road victories from 11/8/87 — 12/4/94. The Rams have not recorded four straight wins over the Saints since they captured five straight, 9/11/83 — 11/3/85.

Before last season, the last time the Rams swept the two-game season series from New Orleans was back in 1984. Overall, they have swept the two-game series with New Orleans a total of eight times (1970, 1973, 1975, 1976, 1980, 1983, 1984, 1996).

Saints-Rams Series Notes

In six career games versus the Rams, RB Mario Bates has rushed for 422 yards and four touchdowns on 101 attempts. His first three scores came in the same game, Dec. 4, 1994 at Anaheim Stadium, a 31-15 Saints win when Bates rushed for 96 yards on 25 carries. All three touchdowns were scored in the first half before Bates left the game with a shoulder injury.

DT Wayne Martin has registered a sack in three of his last seven games against the Rams, during which time he has totaled four, including two in the Nov. 5, 1995 contest at the Superdome.

STREAKING: From 12/9/90 through 10/3/93, the Saints defeated the Rams seven consecutive times, which represents New Orleans' longest win streak over any opponent.

FOR STARTERS: In the last 16 games played between these teams, New Orleans has outscored the Rams 104-33 in the first quarter. During this stretch, the Saints have scored the first points of the game all but two times both in two consecutive games, 11/5/95 and 12/1/96

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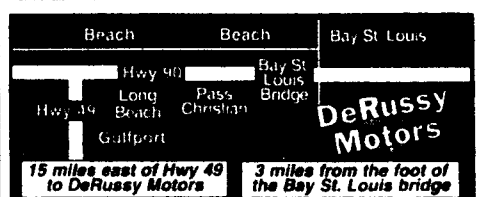
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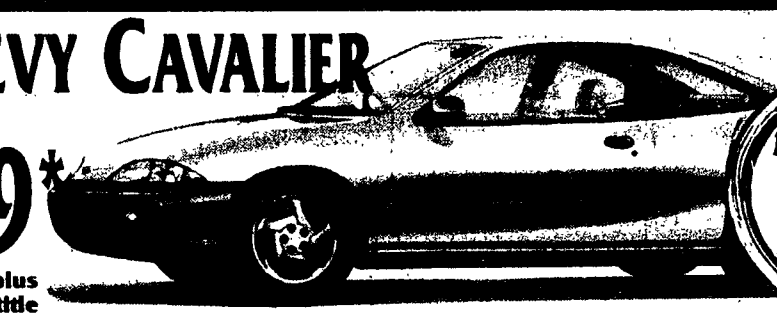
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BUSINESS NEWS

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SBA offers assistance to tornado victims

Federal disaster loans are available from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) for homeowners, renters and businesses located in Pearl River County and the contiguous counties of Forrest, Hancock, Harrison, Lamar, Marion and Stone in Mississippi, and St. Tammany and Washington parishes in Louisiana.

The assistance is available to those who sustained uninsured or underinsured damages caused by a tornado that hit the area Nov. 21.

According to SBA regional administrator Billy Max Paul, SBA will open a disaster outreach center at Chimney Square (Pearl River County Office Building), 917 Goodyear Boulevard in Picayune. The office will be open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., until further notice.

SBA disaster loan staff will be available to hand out disaster loan applications, answer questions about the disaster loan program and accept completed applications.

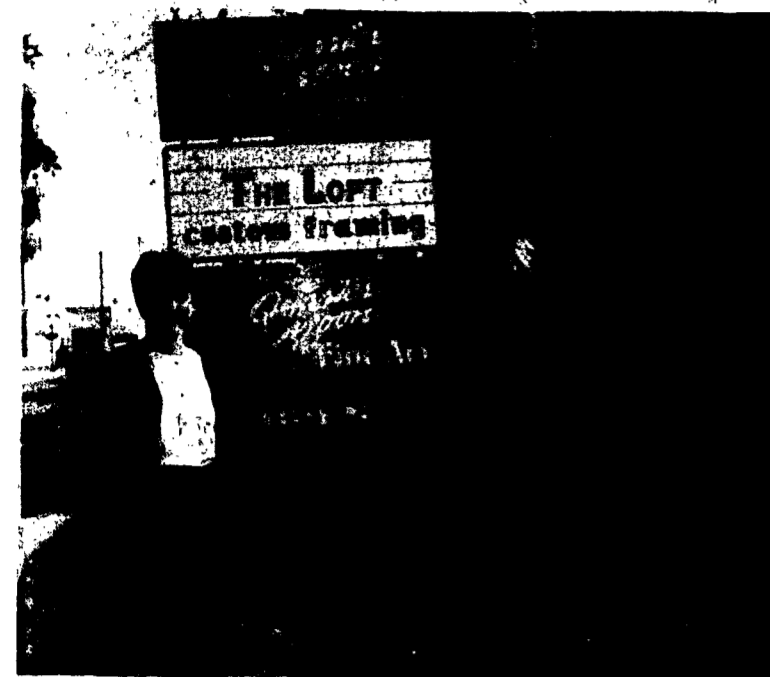
SBA offers loans of up to

\$200,000 to repair disaster-damaged homes. Homeowners and renters are eligible for up to \$40,000 to replace personal property. Loans to businesses and non-profit organizations of up to \$1.5 million are also available to repair damage to real estate, machinery and equipment, inventory, etc. and for leasehold improvements.

Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDLs) also may be made to small businesses unable to pay bills or meet expenses because of this disaster. Interest rates can be as low as 3.812 percent with loan terms up to 30 years. Actual loan amounts and terms are set by SBA based on each applicant's financial condition.

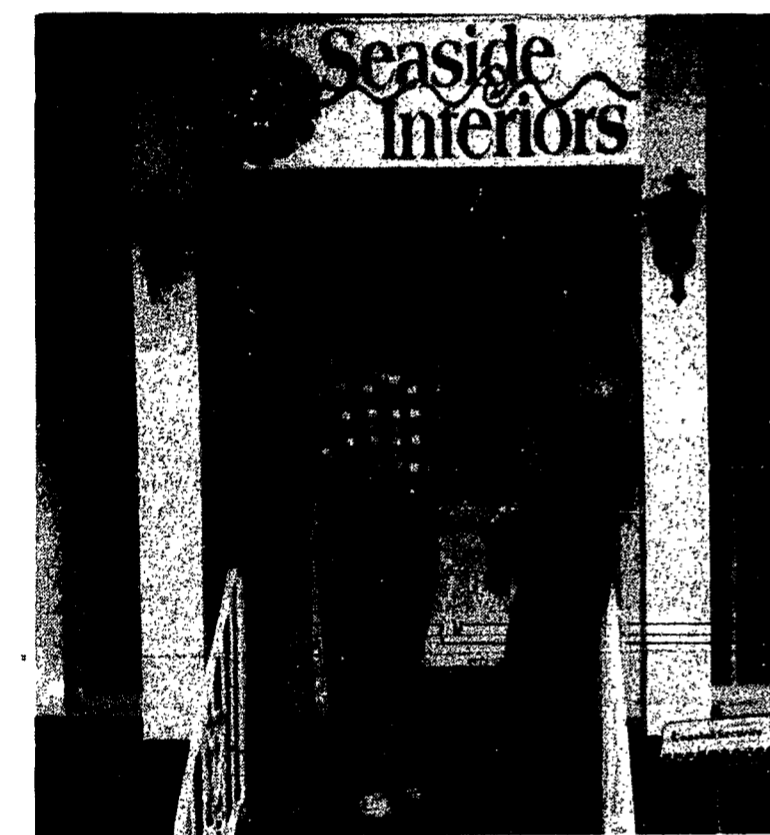
If you can't get to the Picayune office location, loan applications and program information can be obtained by calling 1-800-359-2227. These telephones are answered weekdays from 7 a.m.-6 p.m., Central Time.

Deadline for all physical damage loan applications is Jan. 30, 1998.



Framing shop

Donna Davenport, left, is welcomed by Ellis Anderson, owner of Quarter Moon Jewelry and Wearable Art, as she moves her custom framing shop, *The Loft* from Diamondhead. Davenport and her husband Ed offer all types and sizes of custom framing, cross stitch, embroidery, oils, water colors, photos and conservation framing. *The Loft* is now located at the rear of Quarter Moon on Cox Street next to the courthouse. (Echo staff photo by Ellis C. Cuevas)



Grand opening

Seaside Interiors recently celebrated its grand opening at 1250 Old Spanish Trail in Waveland. The new business is open Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. The shop offers all types of flooring, furniture and accessories for home or business. An interior designer-decorator is on staff. Participating in the ribbon cutting were buyer Lynn Holland, left, owner Julie Rosson and design consultant Nancy Shroyer. (Sea Coast Echo photo by Cecilia Howe)

Taylor named Employee of the Year at MHG

Memorial Hospital at Gulfport recognized Liz Taylor, RN, MSN, CNS, as its 1997 Employee of the Year at the hospital's annual awards ceremony recently.

Taylor began her nursing career at MHG in 1984 and has 14 years of experience nursing in acute care settings. She currently serves as staff nurse and lead RN for the intermediate care unit at MHG.

After receiving her bachelor of science degree in biology and chemistry at Rust College, she earned an associate degree in

Nursing at Mississippi Gulf Coast Junior College, followed by a master of science in nursing from the University of South Alabama.

Active in the community, Taylor serves as a mentor in the Biloxi City Schools, is a member of the MHG Speakers Bureau, a member of Mississippi Gulf Coast Partners in Education, serves on the MHG Wellness Team and is a community lay representative for Biloxi Public Schools. She is a member of the American Association of Critical Care Nurses and the Mississippi Nurses Association.

At MHG she serves as a member of the Education and Training Committee, is an instructor of the Patient Care Associate course, instructs Passport to Excellence, a monthly eight-hour education offering, and created, developed and facilitates the "Heart to Heart" program, a community education forum that meets monthly.

Internet service improved

Datasync, the Coast's largest and oldest internet service provider, has announced the capability to serve users with K56flex™ technology, developed by Lucent Technologies and used in Livingston Enterprises' Portmaster 3, in several of its local access points including Biloxi, Ocean Springs and Bay St. Louis.

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Free seminars on payroll tax

Moore & Powell is offering free payroll tax seminars at the following locations:

- Dec. 9, Biloxi, Mississippi Power Company, 9-11:30 a.m.
- Dec. 10, Gulfport, Gulfport Public Library, 9-11:30 a.m.
- Dec. 10, Picayune, Crosby Memorial Library, 1:30-4 p.m.
- Dec. 11, Pascagoula, Jackson County Chamber, 9-11:30 a.m.
- Dec. 12, Bay St. Louis, Coast Electric Power Company, 9-11:30 a.m.

Topics to be covered will include:

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 - New electronic deposit requirements
 - Tax act changes that affect payroll
 - Getting ready for year end W-2 preparation
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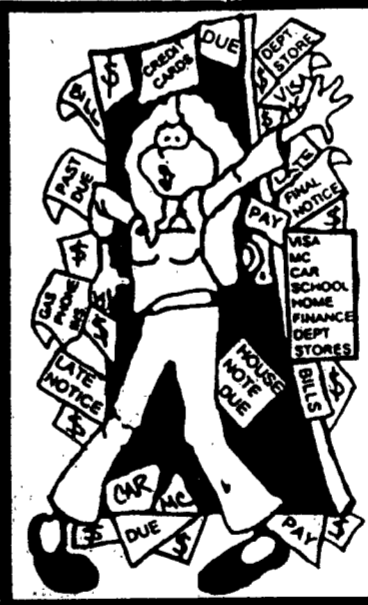
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Each taxing entity determines the amount of money they will collect in terms of millage. One mill is equal to \$.001 or 1/1000 of \$1, according to Murtagh.

The millage rate for both

school districts was affected this year by bond issues. Hancock County School District passed a \$20 million bond issue and Bay St. Louis-Waveland School District passed a \$9 million bond issue.

Consequently, the Hancock School District millage rate went up 10 mills and the Bay Waveland District went up approximately 2 mills, explained

Lee Bennett, Hancock County Appraiser.

Additionally, the county passed a \$6.2 million bond issue designated for county roads and a juvenile detention center.

However, the overall county millage rate was decreased by about one mill from last year, according to Bennett. Without the county's bond issue, he said he would have expected a bigger

decrease in millage.

In Waveland, residents are seeing an increase of 6.875 mills from last year, with five mills dedicated to retiring the city's \$1.25 million bond issue.

However, it is the reappraisals, not the increase in tax rates, which played the most significant role in increasing taxes, according to Bennett.

And, while it would appear that the taxing entities are receiving a windfall, Murtagh said they will not be able to "reap a bonanza by the reappraisals."

He explained the county and cities can only see an increase in revenue of 10 percent over last year. Any additional revenue must be escrowed and the millage adjusted next year. The school districts are limited to a four percent increase, Murtagh said. However, he said, the bond issues do not go toward the caps.

Bennett explained that part of the problem for taxpayers is that while the state mandates the appraisals be 100 percent of the market value, there has been no increase in exemptions. Therefore, while property values continue to increase, the amount that is exempted remains the same.

"There is an ever widening gap between the appraisal and the exemption," said Bennett.

Marina

the drawing boards for several years, and was a promise of a previous Board of Supervisors who vowed to build another facility when it gave approval for the Jubilation to purchase the county's only marina and locate west of Lakeshore Drive.

Another site was chosen at the foot of Pleasure Street and the funds were escrowed while Board Attorney Gerald Gex went through protracted negotiations with landowners who

would have to give up their land at the appraised value. A new Board of Supervisors was elected in January of 1995 and months into their term, settlement was finally reached with the last of the property owners.

Supervisors put the project out to bid last August, and received no takers. They readvertised for bids again and on Oct. 6 they received two bids.

Compton Engineering recommended awarding the bid

for first-phase construction of the marina to Malouf Construction Company of Madison, Miss., which submitted an apparent low-bid of \$1.1 million.

A hitch arose, however, when it was determined that the county only had \$754,000 left in Tidelands and the escrowed funds to build the marina. The remainder was eaten up by land acquisition and engineering and legal fees.

State law forbids govern-

ments to let contracts if the total monies for a project are not available, so engineers conferred with Malouf officials to see what could be left out of first-phase construction.

Compton Engineering had recommended building the facility without running sewerage, water and electrical lines and without installing public bathrooms.

The proposal didn't set well with District 3 Supervisor Lisa

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Cowand, and she complained again Thursday when the Board met again to discuss funding or building options.

This time, Malouf furnished a print-out, showing what it can build with the \$754,191 remaining, and what would be left out.

"My God. All we have left is the pilings and walkways," Cowand observed. Again the restrooms and utilities would be left out, but a major portion of paving at the site would be delayed.

Board President Phillip Moran wondered out loud, "Maybe we should reject the bid, and put it out for bid again."

Supervisors agreed to make some kind of decision at their Dec. 15 meeting.

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Survivors

families behind and go off to war. Thousands gave their lives for America in the "War of Infamy," as it was referred to by President Franklin Roosevelt.

Both McKenna and Sanders were carrier sailors and became friends when McKenna moved to Waveland from New Orleans. They met at the Main Street United Methodist Church in Bay St. Louis.

Sanders was present during McKenna's interview.

BY ELLIS C. CUEVAS

As the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941, The Arizona was docked along what was known as "Battleship Row" in Pearl Harbor and the U.S.S. Curtis was moored 100 yards from the runway of Ford Island.

McKenna, who was 82 at the time of the interview, in a very slow-speaking voice said, "I was waiting on the quarter deck to go ashore for a barbecue and not paying much attention, as the harbor was full of Liberty Boats taking troops from the battleships ashore."

"As the first wave of planes came into view, they were flying low, and someone spotted the insignia of the Rising Sun and yelled, 'They are Japanese planes!'"

"Things happened so fast within the next three or four minutes, it was a mad house," McKenna recalled.

A little after 6:30 a.m. reveille, Sanders, aboard the Curtis, was preflighting the ship's plane, a OS2U1, a single engine plane, when he heard an explosion on Ford Island and the loud speakers blared, "All hands general quarters!"

On the Arizona, McKenna said, "It was a mad scramble. The officer in charge, Lt. Cmdr. Samuel Glen Foqua, who won the first Medal of Honor during World War II, began to sound general quarters, and the message was never completed. We got strafed and took two fish (torpedos) in the side. Next we took the bomb that went down the stack."

"The bomb screens were out of the stack, and the bomb went down, and there was nothing to stop it. It blew the magazine off the number two turret. The next thing I knew I was in the water."

On the Curtis, Sanders said, "I shut the engine off on my plane and went to my general quarters station on the quarter deck. I then returned to put the seaplane back in the hangar. Machine gun fire from a Japanese plane destroyed my plane."

Sanders moved to the boat deck and manned the speaker phones from the bridge to gun mount number two.

"The gun crew succeeded in shooting down a Japanese bomber which crashed into the Curtis at mid-ship, causing fires and a lot of confusion."

"The Curtis was the first ship to be struck by a Kamikaze in the war. I do not know whether it was accidental or on purpose," Sanders said.

About 30 minutes after the attack, a bomb struck the ship, and the concussion knocked Sanders down.

Sanders received shrapnel in his left arm, face and both hands when the bomb hit the deck of the Curtis.

McKenna, who was apparently down off the quarter

deck of the Arizona, did not remember how he got into the water.

"I was picked up out of the water and taken to the Tennessee, a ship I just left three or four months before, which had taken minimal damage. They herded us into sick bay, and I protested. I told them I had no reason to be there, because there was nothing wrong with me."

"I always wonder how I got my pants off. I lost my coat, which was over my arm when I was on the Arizona and everything I owned in this world except a shirt, a pair of socks and a pair of skivvies."

Mrs. Sanders was awakened by the noise. "I just turned over and went back to sleep after I heard what I thought was an imitation of President Roosevelt saying 'The Island is under attack. All residents are asked to stay in their homes,'" Mrs. Sanders said.

The reason she paid no mind to the speech was because, "The folks in the neighborhood had been making home records for entertainment, and some they made were impressions of President Roosevelt. It was a type of entertainment on the Island."

A short time later Mrs. Sanders awakened, and she heard the same speech again, so she turned on the radio and heard the message again.

"Since I was at Waikiki, I got dressed and walked to the beach. The horizon was completely covered with boats. I could see boats of all sizes and types, from pleasure boats to fishing boats and military boats. I did not know what or who they were."

"A broadcast told us to stay indoors and for all military to report to duty immediately," Mrs. Sanders recalled.

After the bomb struck the Curtis, Sanders said, "A U.S.

destroyer passed alongside us and dropped some depth charges. In a few minutes, a two-man Jap sub came to the surface, and it was immediately blown to bits by the destroyer's guns."

"I received emergency medical aid, and we were all placed on complete alert. During the big battle the Curtis was about one and a half miles from the Arizona, Tennessee, Nevada, California and West Virginia," Sanders said.

The U.S.S. Curtis was sent to a Navy yard for emergency repairs after the attack and then returned to the States in mid-January to pick up a load of planes and return to Pearl Harbor.

Sanders was given the job of escort duty because of his wounds, as his injuries kept him from flying.

Betty Sanders stayed as long as she could until ordered off the Islands by Bill's commander. She left for the States in mid-January.

On his return to California after the attack, McKenna, a native of Toledo, Ohio, was assigned to the Naval Station in Algiers, La.

In May, 1942, McKenna was once again in the drink after he was on a second ship to be sunk by the enemy, this time the Germans.

McKenna was a member of an armed guard on the Merchant Ship McFarnahan, a tanker, on its way to pick up a load of fuel at Bay Town Texas, when it was struck by a torpedo offshore from Houma, La.

Later the seaman and sailors were plucked from the Gulf of Mexico waters by the U.S. Coast Guard.

From the Algiers Naval Station, McKenna took gun crews out on the merchant ships until December, 1944, where he



Strong graduates

Monty Strong, left, is Bay St. Louis' newest graduate of the Mississippi State Fire Fighting Academy. The academy, located in Pearl, was Strong's home for six weeks of intense training and testing in the Mississippi Minimum Standards for a firefighter. Strong, who has been with the Bay St. Louis Fire Department for a year and a half worked on his physical training prior to leaving the academy to be prepared for the grueling physical training required to be a certified firefighter. Minimum standards require that the firefighter recruit shall run/walk 1.5 miles in 14 minutes or less and climb through a simulated window opening three feet wide by three feet high. He is shown with Chief Robert Gavagnie.

Casino

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elected representatives." She singled out on-site project manager Werlin Ladner, whom she said, "did an awesome job of taking us through the permitting process."

Vitale she was looking forward to bringing the project to fruition.

"This will bring employment opportunities for the citizens, as well as profit to the shareholders," said Vitale. Estimates are the development would generate \$450,000 for the county's Port and Harbor Commission and \$6 million to Hancock County.

The site would be accessed by

a four-lane road that will be constructed from Yacht Club Drive at the South Diamondhead Exit, running two miles long. The access road will require a series of elevated bridges.

The casino development would be less than a mile west from the Circus Circus gambling complex proposed off the Kila-DeLisle Exit of Interstate 10 in Harrison County.

Both developments have been opposed by citizens and environmentalists groups, and court challenges are pending against Circus Circus.

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Adoption of an overall plan also is mandatory before the city can apply any zoning regulations to the property that was annexed for Casino Magic's development. The subject of casinos, however, has been the most contentious part of city considerations on the master plan.

Citizens barraged council members with concerns over where any future casinos would be allowed, the height of structures allowed in a casino district, the potential for a proliferation of casinos, and related concerns.

Adoption of the document also is a prerequisite to adoption of some types of historic preservation zoning regulations. Council has appointed a citizens advisory committee to draft preservation regulations despite the lack of a

comprehensive plan.

When council last discussed the comprehensive plan in 1996, Black called for adoption of the plan, with council member James Rutherford in agreement. Council member James Thrifflie, however, said more public hearings were needed on the document before action.

Council member Charles Scianna, who was defeated in a bid for re-election, said additional workshops wouldn't help council --- every workshop raised more disagreement among council members, he said.

Scianna was defeated by Carleen Moran in the last election. Another council member, Tom Farve, was defeated by Connie Lampley.

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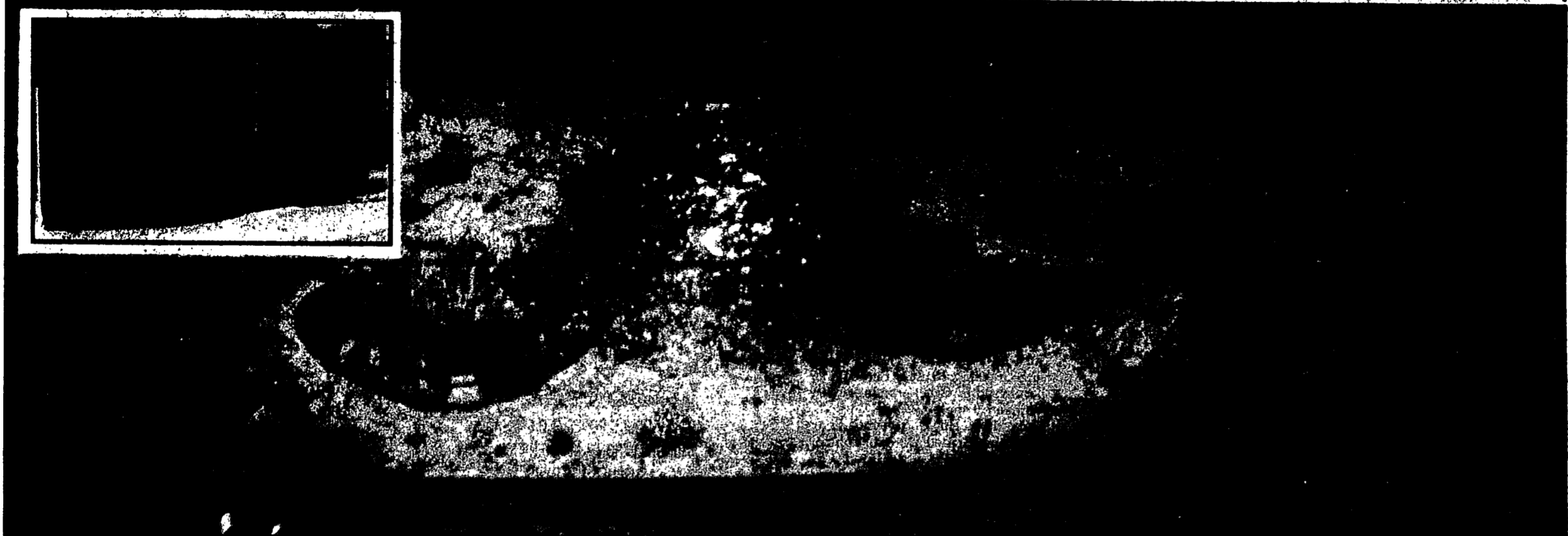
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The blank canvas for the mural was the wall in front of Waveland City Hall (inset). Above, the finished work after the removal of the flagpole. (Echo staff photo by Richard Meek)

Waveland mural reflects personality of community

STORY AND PHOTOS
BY BETSY GAGNET

Bay St. Louis artist Elizabeth Veglia said she began the Waveland mosaic tile mural with the idea that it would be a strong design and a general idea of the colors which would be used, since if it was to reflect Waveland, it would have to include water. Besides that, she describes the finished product as a true "community art project."

The mural is on the front of Waveland City Hall.

"I try not to think about anything and let people come to the workshops," Veglia said. "I teach people how to work with the tile

and how to make their own designs. All of a sudden, things are suggested and (the mural) literally evolves."

Would-be artists at the workshops used pliers to crack tiles into pieces which then became part of whatever design they were creating. As the individual designs were completed, they were placed side by side, and to an untrained eye, it seemed an overwhelming task to create the "big picture."

The designs are personal reflections of each "artist's" conception of his community, and include everything from people to shrimp and

fish.

"It's truly folk art," explained Veglia. "It's art by the folks."

"I truly am a community artist," she said, explaining that she "weaves the energies of the people in the community together."

The individual designs were pieced together under Veglia's artistic direction to form the finished mural.

"There are all these divergent things going on and I open up and scoop them together into something which makes sense," Veglia said, explaining how the mural was put up on the wall in sections and then mortared.

The center of the mural shows the St. Patrick's Day

parade down Coleman Avenue and the beach beyond. Throughout the mural, viewers can glimpse bits and pieces of community life as seen through different creators' eyes.

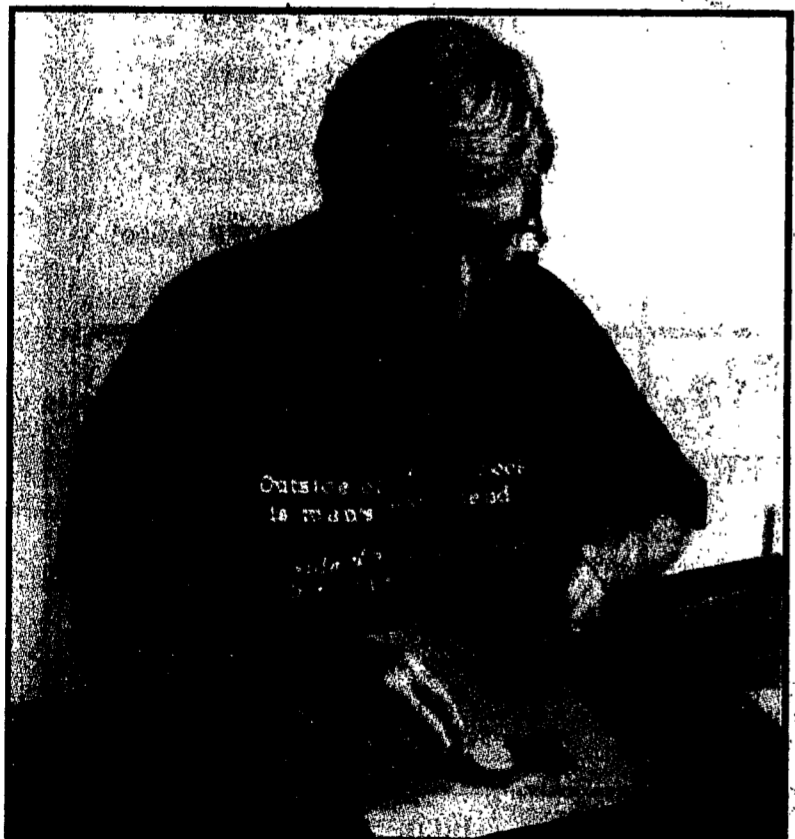
"I love it. It's so charming," said Veglia. "It's the personality of the community."

The project received \$3,450 from the Mississippi Arts Commission and the Coleman Avenue Coalition agreed to pay \$5,000, according to Veglia. Fundraising efforts are still underway and donations are being accepted.

For more on donations, contact Sue Ashman, Ashman Mollere Realty at 467-5454.



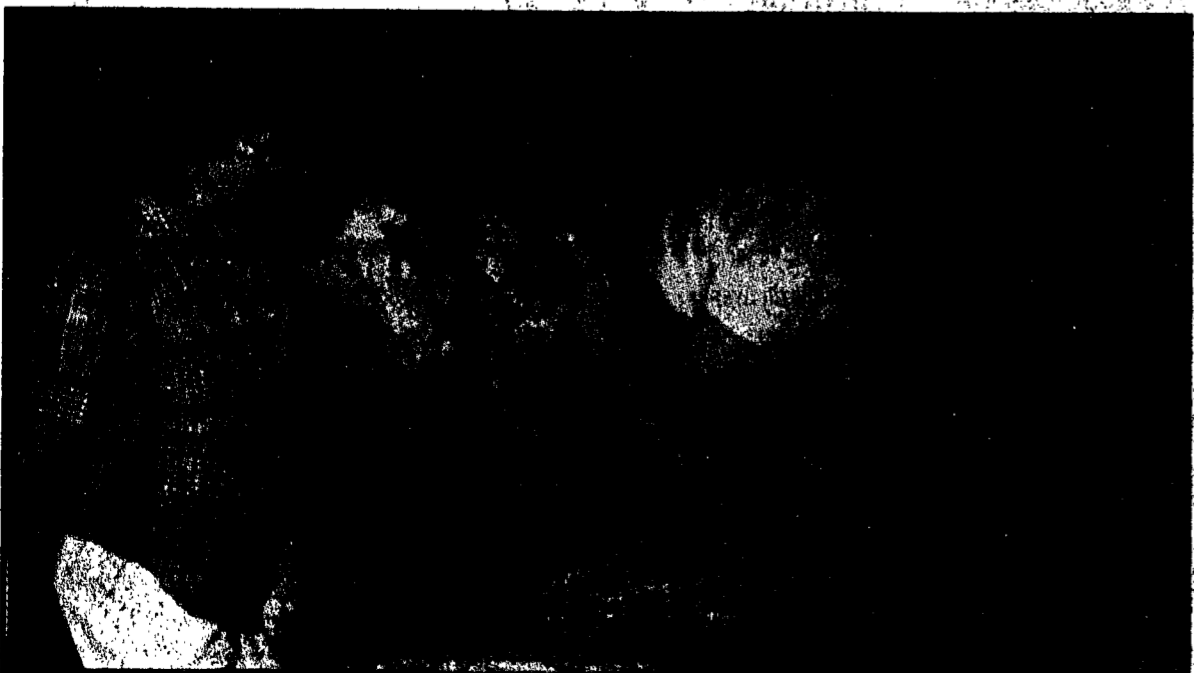
Workshops were held where aspiring artists learned how to crack tiles (above) and form pieces into designs (below).



Several children and families participated in the project (above). Below, the designs were pieced together on tables to form the mural.



The designs for the mural were carefully attached to the wall in sections.



Individual designs were placed side by side.

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Students from Our Lady Academy chosen to be the October Pepsi Students of the Month are, from left, Mindy Davis, eighth grade; Shelley Hanson, junior; Hazel Payet, sophomore; Katie Dennis, freshman; Julie Reboul, seventh grade; and Anna Greene, senior. The students were selected by the faculty for their outstanding excellence in academics, extra-curricular activities, service and citizenship.

College tuition assistance

A conservative estimate of college costs for a full-time student runs from \$10,000-\$30,000; high cost colleges can run from \$40,000-\$100,000. Most parents and students think that scholarships are only for the students with excellent grades, low-income families or the athletically inclined.

A small example of the numerous scholarships available to students include: Handicapped Student Scholarships, Members of a Church Scholarships, Scholarships for "C" Students, Veteran Children's Scholarships, Scholarships for Minorities and much more.

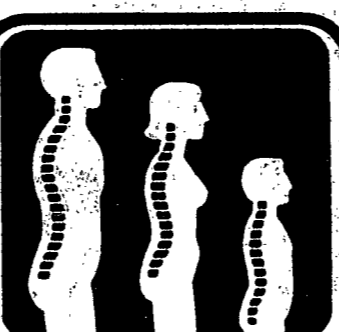
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Teen GOP meeting

There will be a Hancock County Teenage Republican meeting Tuesday, Dec. 9 at 6:30 p.m. in the Coast Electric meeting room on Main Street in Bay St. Louis.

The meeting is open to any teen 13-19 interested in the Republican Party or its principles.

With questions, contact Margella Verdon, president, Hancock County Teenage Republicans at (228) 255-4475.

Gulf Coast Newcomers Club

The Gulf Coast Newcomers Club will meet Tuesday, Dec. 9, at the Holiday Inn Beachfront in Gulfport at 11 a.m. with lunch following at noon.

The program will be the annual Christmas party and exchanging of gifts.

Any woman who has moved to the Coast in the past three years is invited to join. Call Margie Lindsey at 452-4031 or Sandra Manzella at 872-0382.



NARFE officers

Buccaneer Chapter 1729 National Association of Retired Federal Employees elected and installed officers for the 1998 calendar year: Ray Sheehy, president; Edgar A. Michaelson, first vice president; Terry H. Malone, second vice president; Jeanette Brown, secretary; and Daniel T. Becnel, treasurer. Pictured are, from left, Tom Johnson, Mississippi Federation president as installing officer; Ray Sheehy, Edgar A. Michaelson; Joe Finley standing in for Terry H. Malone; Jeanette Brown and Daniel Becnel.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly

TOPS WAVELAND 233

TOPS MS 233-Waveland met Tuesday, Nov. 25 at the Waveland Public Library. Judy was the week's best loser with 1 1/4 pounds. Debbie was the best KOPS loser with 1 1/4 pounds. A program on walking off the weight was presented by Nubia.

At the Dec. 2 meeting Rose was the week's best loser with 4 pounds. Kathy was the best KOPS loser with 2 1/4 pounds. There was a total net loss of 10 pounds. The Incentive Award was won by Juanita.

Charlotte is the new leader, and Juanita was elected co-leader. Kathy is treasurer. Judy presented the program entitled Anticipating Holidays.

TOPS MS 233 meets every Tuesday at the Waveland Public Library. Weigh-ins are from 5-5:45 p.m. with the meeting following.

Anyone interested in losing weight the sensible way and maintaining that weight loss is welcome to visit the TOPS chapter.

Interested persons are invited to call Debbie at 467-0784 for information.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly

TOPS WAVELAND 307

TOPS MS Chapter 307-Waveland met Wednesday, Nov. 26 at the Waveland Public Library. Deidre was the week's best loser with 2 1/4 pounds. 12 members were present. The eight-week contest is continuing, with members who lost weight adding another feature to their snowman. Charlene won the Incentive Award.

At the Dec. 3 meeting, Deidre was again the week's best loser with 2 1/4 pounds. Again, 12 members were present. Paula won the Incentive Award. Best loser of the month of November was Deidre with 11 1/4 pounds. Second best loser was Dee with 6 pounds. The chapter's net loss for the month of November was 25 1/2 pounds. Deidre presented the financial report and the program.

The chapter meets every Wednesday at the Waveland Public Library. Weigh-ins are from 4:45-5:30 p.m. with the meeting following.

Anyone interested in losing weight the sensible way and/or maintaining weight loss is welcome to visit the chapter.

Call Ruth at 466-9880 for information.

Silas, Simoneaux honored

Debra Lynn Silas of Kiln and Kim M. Smith Simoneaux of Bay St. Louis have been elected to membership in Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing.

They were inducted Nov. 18 as undergraduate members of Gamma Lambda chapter at the University of Southern Mississippi in Hattiesburg.

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NorthShore Regional Medical Center is presenting *Controlling Cholesterol*, a free seminar set for Thursday, December 11 at 7 p.m. in the Main Dining Room, 100 Medical Center Drive. Dr. Michael Culasso, family practitioner, is the featured speaker. He will share valuable information on the signs, symptoms, management and treatment of high cholesterol levels. The presentation will end with a question/answer session.

In conjunction with the seminar, NorthShore Regional is offering a cholesterol blood test. The screening will be held at 6:30 p.m., right before the talk begins. Seating is limited, so reservations are a must. Call 646-5014 to reserve your place.

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Legion picnic

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Cancer support group

NorthShore Regional Medical Center announces its newest community support group called "I Can! With Cancer."

Dr. Reid Doster, DMLPC and cancer survivor will conduct these free cancer support sessions held at NSRMC's Clinic Two, 105 Medical Center Drive, Room 305, on the first Monday of every month beginning Jan. 5 at 7 p.m.

The news of cancer is never well received; however, it is essential that those dealing with any major illness keep their hearts filled with positive messages.

I Can! With Cancer's focus is to teach those diagnosed with cancer that they CAN learn to live without fear, they CAN be at peace with their circumstance, and most importantly they CAN maintain a full life.

Dr. Reid Doster will share his experiences to help those with cancer to know that they are not alone nor do they have to go through it alone.

This support group's intention is to provide a spirit of hope, strength, and courage to face each new day that arises.

For information, call 646-5013.

Ole Miss produces calendar featuring historical photos

If a picture is worth a thousand words, the University of Mississippi's 1998 calendar may be a best-selling novel.

As part of its sesquicentennial celebration, Ole Miss has produced a calendar that features breathtaking color photographs of the beloved Oxford campus, as well as some historical treasures from the university's special collections.

The cover shows a current campus scene of Ole Miss students in the Circle with academic buildings in the background. The calendar begins with December 1997 — which offers a striking shot of the Lyceum's front entrance and a holiday wreath — and runs through January 1998 — which offers a photo of Memory House, home of the University Foundation.

Some of the modern campus shots include the new entrance to the J. D. Williams Library, the cedar tree-lined walk to Rowan Oak, the familiar red and blue "welcome" signs, a fall football game in Vaught-Hemingway Stadium and the Triplett Alumni Center.

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WEDDINGS

Musgrove-Courrege



Mr. and Mrs. James Musgrove

Anne Marie Courrege of Mobile, Ala., and James Allen Musgrove, of Camp LeJeune, N.C., USMC, were united in marriage August 30, 1997 in an evening ceremony at Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church in Bay St. Louis.

The Reverend Anthony Tran of Our Lady of the Gulf Church and Deacon Warren Goff of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Pascagoula, officiated. Soloist was Regan Melancon, and organist/pianist was Joey Davos.

The bride is a daughter of Bertram O. and Christine Courrege of Bay St. Louis.

The groom's parents are Ollen and Ethel Musgrove of Laurel, Miss.

The bride was given in marriage by her father.

For the occasion the bride selected a formal gown of natural dupione silk. A French alencon lace cummerbund re-embroidered with tiny seed pearls and iridescent sequins enhanced the fitted sleeveless bodice. The scooped back bodice repeated the lace motif, and self-fabric covered buttons lined the back zipper. The full ball-room skirt flowed into a chapel-length train. The bride wore a tiara headpiece made of Austrian crystals, iridescent sequins and seed pearls. Multi layers of diamanized white finished-edged veiling fell from the crown.

Maid of honor was Amber R. Haney.

Bridesmaids included Jennifer C. Myers, Jennifer Frazier, Ann Hoda, Tisha Baldwin, Amanda McPhail, Dinah Jenkins and Karen Musgrove.

Flower girl was Kali Musgrove; miniature bride, Amanda Hoda; and ring bearer, Davy Jenkins.

Best man was Kit Musgrove.

Ushers included Michael Kappre, Frank Delana, Scott Hulett and Jeff Pursley.

Ushers were U.S. Marines (S. Hulett U.S. Navy) who performed the customary arch of sabres.

The wedding was a military wedding with the groom in Marine Corps dress attire.

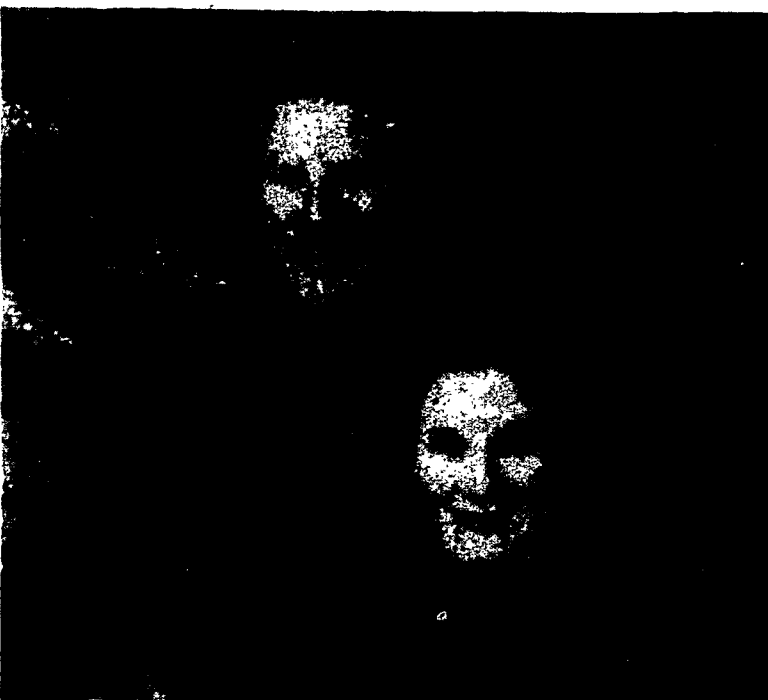
Family members participated in the mass and ceremony. Flowers were arranged by Kelli Corr, and the wedding coordinator was Pat Favre.

A reception followed the ceremony at Our Lady of the Gulf Parish Center with catering by Montana's Restaurant and music by Keith Hoda and the Country Sounds.

A rehearsal dinner was hosted at Banana's restaurant, Grand Casino, Gulfport.

The couple will reside in Mobile.

Brown-Carrier



Les Brown and Laurie Carrier

Bob and Holly (Reuhl) Carrier of Juneau, Alaska, announce the engagement of their daughter, Laurie, to Les A. Brown III, of Albuquerque, N.M. Ms. Carrier is the granddaughter of Lil and Bill Goldman of Bay St. Louis.

Ms. Carrier grew up in Juneau and was a 1990 graduate of Juneau-Douglas High School. She graduated from the University of New Mexico in 1994 with a degree in criminology and is presently completing her master's degree at UNM. She is employed as a project manager at the Institute for Social Research at UNM.

Mr. Brown is the son of Les and Olive Brown of Payson, Ariz. He attended high school in Tucson, Ariz. and graduated in 1991 cum laude from the University of Arizona with a degree in criminology. He is a police officer with the Albuquerque Police Department.

The couple will be married in Orlando, Fla. Jan. 10, 1998. Following their honeymoon, they will make their home in Los Lunas, N.M.

BIRTHS

CONNER EDWARD LADNER

Joy Ladner announces the birth of a son, Conner Edward, September 29, 1997 at 4:46 p.m. at Gulfport Memorial Hospital. He weighed 8 pounds, 9 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Earl "Buck" Ladner Jr. of Bay St. Louis and the late Janice Cynthia Ladner.

Paternal grandmother is Lynne Shirley of Bay St. Louis. Great-grandparents include Birdie Mae Ladner of Kiln. Bobby Ladner of Gulfport and Virginia Guilbeau of Kiln.

ELIJAH MICHAEL RAY

Mr. and Mrs. Kevin E. Ray of Bay St. Louis announce the birth of a son, Elijah Michael, Nov. 17, 1997 at 9:05 a.m. at Memorial Hospital at Gulfport.

He weighed 6 pounds 13 ounces.

Mrs. Ray is the former Gwyn Lang.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Michael Lang of Bay St. Louis.

Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Ray of Pass Christian.

Great-grandparents include Henry Lang and the late Clothilde Lang, the late Frank and Claudia Klein, Velina Niolet and the late Walter Niolet and Zettie Varando.

Elijah is welcomed by sisters Megan and Madison

SALLIEMAE MARIE BLETHRAUD

Mr. and Mrs. Harvel Blethraud of Bay St. Louis announce the birth of their first child, Salliemae Marie, Nov. 17, 1997 at 6:52 a.m. at Hancock Medical Center in Bay St. Louis.

She weighed 7 pounds, 11 ounces.

Mrs. Blethraud is the former Magdalena Long.

Maternal grandparent is Itza Long of Harlingen, Texas.

Paternal grandparents are Margaret Panter of Pascagoula and Harry Blethraud of Denver.

KYLE ISAAC JAMES MCELVEEN

James McElveen and Michelle Higgins of Bay St. Louis announce the birth of their second child, Kyle Isaac James, Nov. 21, 1997 at Hancock Medical Center in Bay St. Louis.

He weighed 5 pounds, 11 ounces.

Maternal grandmother is Marilyn Higgins of Bay St. Louis. Paternal grandparents are Linda and Stanley Smith of Waveland.

Great-grandparents include Edith Tebeaux of Bay St. Louis and Mr. and Mrs. John Asher of Gulfport.

Kyle is welcomed by his sister Michalean.

HUNTER GRAHAM WILSON

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Wilson of Perkinston announce the birth of a son, Hunter Graham, Oct. 14, 1997 at 3:44 a.m. at Gulfport Memorial Hospital.

He weighed 7 pounds, 2 ounces.

Mrs. Wilson is the former Bridget Husband.

Maternal grandparnets are Pattie Pavolini of Pass christian and Larry Husband of Kiln.

Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wilson of Perkinston.

Hunter is welcomed by his brother Blake.

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We seem to have a mindset against real godliness today. In our pluralistic society we require toleration. We don't believe in absolutes. Requiring toleration, however, and rejecting absolutes have become our absolutes. At any rate, godliness implies fixed and perfect standards. The result is we avoid the subject of godliness.

This presents a particular problem during the holiday season. The essence of Christmas is a celebration of the coming of Jesus Christ. The Bible tells us this involves godliness.

"And by common confession great is the mystery of godliness: He who was revealed in the flesh, was vindicated in the Spirit, beheld by angels, proclaimed among the nations, believed on in the world, taken up in glory" (1 Timothy 3:16).

A mystery is something which has been hidden but is now revealed. The point is, when Christ came into the world He revealed God. He was godliness incarnate. He was and is the absolute standard of love, righteousness and goodness.

This is why Christ was worshipped by the angels when He was

The mystery of godliness

born. This is why He has been preached throughout the world. This is why Christianity has been such a powerful force in the world over the centuries. This is why Christ and His godliness became a "common confession."

This Christmas we all need to make Jesus Christ and His godliness our "common confession."

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This week's clue: J equals M

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The ceremony will begin at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 11 on the knoll outside the main lobby of NorthShore Regional.

Entertainment will be provided by "All Faith Choir of Angels," comprised of members of the Hartzel Mount Zion Choir, St. Margaret Mary's Choir and Bethany Lutheran Church Choir.

Additional musical performances will be presented by the Aldersgate Children's Choir and Marco and Cherie Mannino.

The public is invited to come sing, enjoy refreshments and share in the Christmas spirit.

The community can celebrate the life of a departed loved one by dedicating a light on the NorthShore Hospice "Light Up a Life" tree with tax deductible donations of \$5 or more.

Dedicating lights on the Christmas tree enables the Hospice to expand its services to terminally ill patients and their families, for whom the coming holidays may not be so joyous.

All dedications will be acknowledged. Those donations received by Friday, Dec. 5, will be included in the program of events at the "Light Up a Life" ceremony.

Those interested in donating can contact NorthShore Hospice, 104 Smart Place, Slidell, LA 70458.

For information, call the hospice at (504) 641-7373.

Woullard receives PRCC Humanities Award

Rosemary Woullard has received Pearl River Community College's 1997 Humanities Teacher Award.

The award is sponsored by the Mississippi Humanities Council in recognition of Mississippi scholars who labor diligently in the disciplines of humanities and share their knowledge in the classroom and with the public.

Woullard is an English instructor at Pearl River who is active in many organizations that support better public education. She is currently president of Alpha Gamma Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma, parliamentarian of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, a member of USM Chapter of Phi Delta Kappa, and serves on the Strategic Planning Committee for the Hattiesburg Area Education Foundation. Her willingness to share her expertise with the community is evident in her educational affiliations.

Annually the Mississippi Humanities Council recognizes an outstanding humanities faculty member during October in celebration of Arts and Humanities month and provides an award of \$500 to the teacher.

Woullard received the award after her presentation of "It's All in the Family" hosted by Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society at

PRCC's Science Auditorium Oct. 28.

During the presentation Woullard presented ways to use oral and family histories to enliven classrooms, family gatherings and communities.

She taught the participants ways to collect and organize family and local information which can be published which will preserve the oral histories of families, as well as organize a pictorial record of family events.

Woullard's Family Tree Project has taken her to London, Vancouver and numerous other places as a presenter in this topic.

Woullard says the project helps bring families closer together.

"You could organize a Community Historical Society, to publish your collections, or even produce a vertical file folder for your local library," said Woullard.

"Students can collect family stories to be used in their classroom writings. Faculty members may use aspects of the material in their own courses," she said.

Woullard will be recognized in the winter issue of HMC's publication *Focus On The Humanities*.



Thanksgiving baskets

The Princess Shoppe Teen Board fulfills its annual community projects as they present Thanksgiving food baskets to the Hancock County Food Pantry. This has been one of their projects for the past 15 years.

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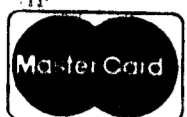
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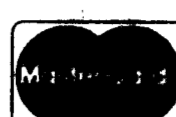


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93 Yard Sale

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EVERYDAY IS SALE DAY AT YOUR Bay St. Louis Goodwill Store, Bay Mall Shopping Center, Dunbar & Highway 90. Mon. thru Sat. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. 467-7277.

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138 Trucks, Vans

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146 Rooms For Rent

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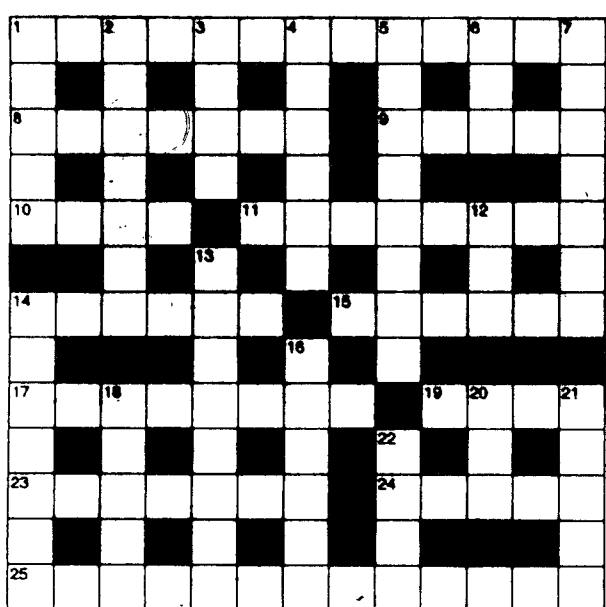
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15. Body part
17. Handed down
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23. Color pigment
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1. Terrier
2. More accessible
3. Mass of matter
4. Accidental
5. Sealed
6. Woolen cap of Scottish origin
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13. Directions
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16. Unkeyed
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12. Nab
13. Headings
14. Schemes
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20. Rib
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Candlelight Christmas scheduled at Beauvoir

Joyous music and beautiful Victorian holiday decorations will grace the house and other selected areas, as Beauvoir hosts its fifth annual Candlelight Christmas Dec. 12-13.

The open house Christmas gala, from 6-9 p.m. each evening, features holiday entertainment from area churches and schools, including the Beauvoir United Methodist church Youth Handbell Choir, soloists Amanda Hutchinson and Robin Reeder, St. John Elementary School Choir, Mercy Cross High School Flute and Woodwind Ensembles and Nativity BVM School Clarinet Ensemble. The Beauvoir Singers and Yesteryear's Young Dancers will also perform.

Beauvoir House will be trimmed by local garden clubs, members of the Margaret Davis Hayes Chapter 520 Children of the Confederacy, Beauvoir staff and florists, who donate their time, talents and expertise to decorate a certain area of the

house or the museum.

A number of historical and "not so historical" personages will preside over the evening events. The Davis family will greet visitors at the front door, and a 19th century Saint Nick will write down the holiday wishes of little ones while posing with them for photographs. Hot apple cider and Christmas cookies will cap the festivities.

Tickets may be purchased in the gift shop for \$7.50 for adults, \$6.75 for seniors over 65 and active military, and \$4.50 for students (6-15).

Friends of Beauvoir and children under 6 are admitted free. Special rates for groups of 20 or more are available with advance notice. For information, call (601) 388-9074.

Beauvoir is a national historic landmark property of the Mississippi Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans. It is located at the intersection of US Hwy. 90 and Beauvoir Road in Biloxi.

Gulfport Civic League hosts Christmas Tour of Homes

The Gulfport Civic League's 38th annual Christmas Tour of Homes will be Sunday, Dec. 14 between 2-5 p.m. for a donation of \$5. For ticket information, call 864-4897 or 896-4050.

The annual tour is the Civic League's only fund raiser. The proceeds are used for projects throughout the year to help disabled children and adults. The League purchases braces, shoes, artificial limbs and such for those who are in need.

Three homes in the Gulfport area are featured on the tour and The Lynn Meadows Discov-erv Center will be the "Tea

House" where refreshments will be served. There will be continuous entertainment throughout the afternoon. A tour trolley will be available at the Discovery Center, 246 Dolan Avenue, Gulfport.

The following homes will be on tour:

Mr. and Mrs. William Capps, 220 Southern Circle, Gulfport, 896-7331

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Yelverton, 9106 Victoria Circle, Gulfport, 388-1450

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Heflin, 9130 Victoria Circle, Gulfport, 896-7573

Winter birds featured at Gulf Islands Seashore

It's December, winter's coming and the real "snowbirds" are back. Scoups buffleheads and other winged migrants are all now returning to their winter homes on Mississippi's coast.

During December at Gulf Islands National Seashore, "All About Birds" looks at our temporary neighbors from the North. Serious bird watchers and casual kitchen-window observers can all find fun and learn a little something on Sunday afternoons in December. All programs are free, begin at 2 p.m. and can be seen at the Davis Bayou Visitors Center in Ocean Springs.

The "All About Birds" schedule begins with a chance to discover the Birds of Winter. On Sunday, Dec. 7, learn to identify those birds making our backyards their winter homes. It's a ranger-talk that birders, beginning birders and non-birders can all find interesting. "Birds

of Winter" starts at 2 p.m. in the Visitor Center auditorium.

Sunday, Dec. 14, is a special time to have fun. "Art for Kids/ Building Better Feeders" gives young folks, ages 3-11, a fun hour of free art and crafts while learning how to help the outdoors.

Children can both recycle large plastic bottles and create bird feeders for backyard visitors. Parents can expect to help cut and create as needed. "Art for Kids" meets in the Visitor Center auditorium at 2 p.m.

Elementary school-age children and parents will also enjoy a special Sunday video presentation Dec. 21. "A Home for Pearl" teaches kids the value of wildlife habitat and what wild animals need in order to survive.

Through this U.S. Fish & Wildlife video, children learn about predators, visit a wildlife refuge and even release a bald

eagle back into the wild.

Beginning at 2 p.m. "A Home for Pearl" runs about one hour and can be seen free in the Visitor Center auditorium.

On Dec. 25, the Visitor Center is closed for the Christmas holiday. Other facilities, including picnic areas, fishing pier and nature trails are open during regular park hours. The Visitor Center reopens Dec. 26 at 8 a.m.

Depending upon weather, the last program scheduled for December can be a real outdoor adventure. Join us Sunday, Dec. 28 for "Marsh Walk." If the weather's great, join us outside for a casual stroll in search of both year-round park denizens and winter-time visitors at Da-

vis Bayou. We'll walk around the boardwalks and piers of Davis Bayou in search of birds, other critters and other great Gulf Coast stuff. Join the hour-long "Marsh-Walk" at 2 p.m. at the Davis Bayou Visitor Center.

Expect for Dec. 25, the Colmer Visitor Center is open seven days a week from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. The staff hopes everyone has a happy December, but also invites busy families and shoppers to enjoy an occasional moment of quiet time during the holiday rush.

The entrance to the Davis Bayou and the William M. Colmer Visitor Center is located off Hwy. 90 East in Ocean Springs.

For information, call (228) 875-9057.

Mary Wilson to perform

Mary Wilson will take center stage at the Biloxi Grand Theatre Dec. 30, singing the songs that will make you feel like a kid again.

Mary Wilson, along with Diana Ross and Florence Ballard, began singing as The Primettes, a sister group to a male quartet called The Primes.

The Primes would later become The Temptations and The Primettes would become a most successful female singing group, The Supremes.

From their first hit, "When the Love Light Starts Shining Through His Eyes," which reached No. 23 on the pop charts in 1963, through the rest of their 33 top-40 hits, these three women epitomized the Motown sound — clean vocals and melodic refrains.

Motown released Wilson's first solo album, "Mary Wilson" which yielded the dance classic, "Red Hot" in 1970. Her 1966 autobiography, "Dreamgirl: My Life as a Supersinger," sold more than 500,000 copies in hard-

back, received rave reviews, and became the most successful rock and roll autobiography of all time.

In 1988, Mary Wilson became the first female rock star to accept her lifetime achievement award from the Rock N' Roll Hall of Fame.

Tickets for the Dec. 30, 7:30 p.m. performance are \$20/floor and \$15/balcony and are available at the Biloxi Grand Theatre Box Office (1-800-WIN-2-WIN). Tickets are also available at TicketMaster outlets.

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